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Xmas Goods!

THIS YEAR

Our aim has been to have the Largest and Best Assorted Stock of Jewelry in British Columbia, and to buy it so it can be sold at a price that suits everybody.
And we think we have succeeded. If you will examine our great display you will think so too.
Suitable Christmas presents of every conceivable kind of Jewelry from 25c to $500, and everything the best you can get for the money in British Columbia (or anywhere else.)

Challoner & Mitchell, JEWELERS, 47 GOVERNMENT ST.

A Store Is Valued for What it Sells and How it Sells.

We aim to keep in touch with the newest and best in Dry Goods.
The Fall Stock is in its prime, and the store is full of stylish things.

Wintry Weather Reminds You of a New Wrap.

We have them in newest materials. Stylish, comfortable and correctly valued.

Winter Underclothing.

Underclothing isn't to be bought like sugar, at the store that sells the cheapest. We are not ashamed to admit that you can buy underwear cheaper than our prices, but, emphatically, not this underwear. Bring around a few of these cheap (?) garments and we will compare notes.

Don't You Tire of the Word "Bargains" at Times?

Storekeepers seem to love it. Everything is a "bargain" until you look at the purchase at home. We are trying to get along without using this universal word.

AT THE WESTSIDE,

However economy and quality go hand in hand, and we are making BETTET BUSINESS, by giving BETTER GOODS, BETTER SERVICE and BETTER EVERYTHING. Will you help us?

J. HUTCHESON & CO.

70 GOVERNMENT ST. Nov. 22, 1895

Go to Cheapside For Heating Stoves

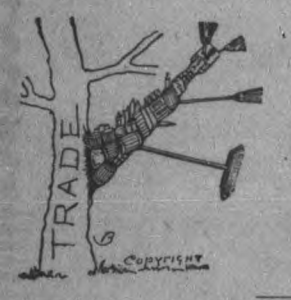
MAUDE—We must have a Heating Stove this Winter, dear.

CHARLIE—Well, go down to Cheapside and get one. They have a big variety and their prices are always right.

GEO. POWELL & CO.,

CHEAPSIDE, 127 GOVERNMENT. ST.

OUR BRANCH



Of Trade is a Live One.

Cash vs. Credit.

It works out that way On Every Proposition.

It's as Easy As Falling off a Log

To make a Pudding with our Cleaned Currants.

Our Muscatelles, 3 lbs. for 25 cents.
Our Mixed Peel, 20 cents per lb.
Our Mixed Nuts, 20 cents per lb.

Our Sugar, 21 lbs. for $1.00.
Those Eastern Oysters at 75 cents.
Bottle Port, 40c. Bottle Sherry, 40c.

DIXI H. ROSS & CO.

After Anxious Waiting

Christmas Fruits

Have Arrived!

Finest Off-Stock & Layer Valencias.
Finest New Votizza Currants.
English Candied Peels.
Xmas Tree Ornaments, Bonbons, &c

Erskine, Wall & Co.,

LEADING GROCERS.

Lung Protectors

We have a nice line of Chamois and Felt Protectors at popular prices.

JOHN COCHRANE,

Prescription Druggist, N. W. cor. Yates and Douglas streets.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

SEE OUR 15c WALL PAPERS, Mellor, Fort street, above Douglas.

SHINGLES FOR SALE—200 M at $1.10 in lots to suit purchaser. Apply Munn, Holland & Co., 26 1-2 Broad St. nov29-tf

ELEPHANT MIXED PAINTS, $1.50 per imperial gallon. Mellor, Fort street, above Douglas.

TURKEYS, GEESE AND PIGS—Another Pig Shoot on Wednesday and Thursday next; all hunters invited. Come early and practice free of charge. Clover Point. dec9-2t.

THE PERSON WHO DROPPED SOME MONEY in Dixi H. Ross & Co.'s grocery store can have same by proving property and paying for this ad. dec9-1t

GENERAL SERVANT GIRL WANTED at 173 Simcoe street. dec9-3t

SINGLE TAX CLUB—Public meeting in Temperance Hall, on Wednesday evening, Dec. 11, at 8 p.m. Byron H. West will lecture on "The Coming Battle." Admission free. dec9-1t

TO LET—Furnished cottage or housekeeping accommodation, 91 Fort street. dec9-3t

LOST—On Saturday, between 12 and 2 o'clock a lady's gray snake-skin purse, containing between two and four dollars in silver. By leaving at Times Office, the finder will be suitably rewarded. dec9-1t

Board of Licensing Commissioners

The Board of Licensing Commissioners will sit in the Police Court, City Hall, on Wednesday next, the 11th inst, at 2 p.m.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
City Hall, 9th Dec., 1895. C.M.C.

Grand Charity Concert.

To provide Christmas dinners for the poor of the city, regardless of class or creed, to be held in

INSTITUTE HALL

On Thursday Evening, December 12th.

The best musical talent of the city has been secured.

Admission 50c. Children 25c. Tickets for sale at the principal book and music stores. dec2-9-10-11-12

THE CANTATA "ESTHER"

Will Be Presented by the

Calvary Baptist Church Choir

Assisted by some of the best soloists and artists in the city on

Wednesday Evg. Dec. 11,

At the Calvary Baptist Church, Herald Street.

ADMISSION.... ....25 CENTS.

B. C. Pioneer Society's TWENTY-FIFTH Annual Banquet

Will Be Held On

Thursday Dec. 12th, at 8 p.m.

At The

OCCIDENTAL HOTEL,

Mr. Jensen, "Host."

Tickets to be had of Janitor R Ridley, or any of the committee.

A. GRAHAME,
Secretary.

Dry Feet!

Fresh arrival of Old Country Boots and Shoes for Winter Wear, Guaranteed Waterproof, thus ensuring Good Health.

We wish to state for the convenience of customers that we carry CANADIAN GOODS also, best procurable, at prices way down. (No Coupons.)

The OLD COUNTRY Boot Store,

91 Johnson Street,
Between Broad and Douglas.

TO HORSEMEN.

In returning my thanks for the constantly increasing patronage which has been bestowed upon my works, 17 Broughton street, I beg to solicit a continuance of the favors so liberally bestowed in the past, assuring all that it will be my greatest ambition to merit full confidence in the future.

In connection with the horse-shoeing department, I have been fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Alex. Rourke, of California, horse-shoer for twelve years on the Oakland Trotting Park, having under his care when there the great trotters owned by Munro Salisbury, C. Simpson, Count Valensin, Hopkins and others; Shoeing their colts from the first set and continuing according to their gait, until their quickest time. Mr. Rourke is especially experienced in the disease of the feet, quarter cracks, bruised feet, interfering, etc. Don't forget the address.

Brayshaw's Carriage Works and Shoeing Forge,

17 Broughton Street, Victoria.

COMMENT ON CLEVELAND.

Politicians of All Shades Condemn President Cleveland for Going Gunning

On the Eve of What Threatens to be a Great National Crisis.

Movement in Venezuela for Boundary Defence—Subscriptions to Buy Guns.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 9.—As the President is absent on a hunting trip, there is no probability that the reply of Lord Salisbury to Secretary Olney's note regarding the Venezuelan boundary dispute, in which Congress is so deeply interested, will be sent to the house this week. The absence of the President on a duck-hunting excursion just at this juncture excites no little comment among both friends and opponents of the administration, both of whom agree that the President could hardly have chosen a more inopportune time for leaving Washington than on the eve of what promises to be serious crisis in diplomatic affairs. It is the season of consultation and organization, and it is not on record that any president before Mr. Cleveland ever left the city in the opening days of a new congress. No one knows when the President will return, or if they do know, they refuse to take the public into their confidence. Every public man in Washington seems to resent his going as something of an affront.

Upon authority which cannot be questioned, it is learned that the contents of the note mailed by the Marquis of Salisbury to Secretary Olney is in substance a refusal to arbitrate any of the territory eastward of the Schomberg line. Moreover, Lord Salisbury raises a new case. He now contends that the Schomburg line was not arbitrarily run, it was located upon authentic data: that it can be proved by records, treaty descriptions and maps that it correctly represented the western limits of the territory when Great Britain acquired it by cession from Holland. The controversy between the two governments over the historical records and topographical facts, such as this statement of the case opens up, might run on for an indefinite length of time. Should this government refuse to be drawn into the meshes of this net, it will not reply with further arguments, but regard the discussion closed so far as Great Britain is concerned, and inquire of Venezuela if that country is willing to arbitrate on the Schomburg line or not. If so, the United States will have nothing more to say.

But none familiar with the history of the quarrel believe that Venezuela will consent. She has repeatedly refused it, and she will now be more firm than ever in defense of her rights. Having definitely ascertained Venezuela's unwillingness to submit to Britain's pretensions, the President undoubtedly will refer the whole matter to Congress at an early date for such action as that body may see fit to take.

Information has been received at the Venezuelan legation here of the contents of a note which is reported to have been received by the German minister at Caracas for delivery to President Crespo, in which Great Britain's demand for $60,000 compensation for the arrest by the Venezuelans of "Englishmen in English territory." The note will be delivered to President Crespo to-day, when he comes to the capitol to appoint the new cabinet. There is no doubt what Venezuela's answer will be. She will refuse to pay the indemnity asked for.

The correspondence will be accompanied by a message from the president explaining the situation, and probably containing no recommendations to congress, leaving that body to its own determination uninfluenced, save by the facts. When this moment arrives the executive will have exhausted its resources, and the future course of the contention will rest with the national legislature.

The boundary controversy with Great Britain has aroused an extraordinary pitch of enthusiasm and patriotic fervor At Puerto Cabello a public meeting was held at which subscriptions were opened for the purpose of purchasing a torpedo boat for the defence of the harbor. At the city of Bolivia another subscription is being raised by the Central Bank from citizens of all parts of the republic to contribute stated sums weekly. At Caracas, the capital of Venezuela, a convention will be held, probably this month, to consider the question of defense. In a big street parade, which will be a feature of the meeting, each state delegation will carry the coat of arms of state, and at the head of the parade the coat of arms of Venezuela will be borne.

The movement started by the central society for the defence of Venezuelan territory, has apparently secured official approval, as the members of President Crespo's cabinet and governors of the several states of Venezuela have given it full endorsement. The minister of the interior, one of President Crespo's cabinet, has written a letter congratulating the promoters of the movement on their patriotism, adding that there should be calmness and wisdom in any steps taken.

The president of the state of Carabobo, J. F. Mora, writes from Valencia as follows:—"There is sincerest approval of the patriotic motives of this movement As governor of this state I will be honored to receive a delegation of the movement and afford every legal aid for the realization of the noble ideas incorporated in its propaganda." The president of the state of Bolivia, Manuel Gonzales Gil, writes from Ciudado Bolivar: "It is with special satisfaction that the inauguration of this patriotic movement is noted. The president felicitates those who inspired this means of showing the interest of our people for the welfare of the republic. Doubtless this will be the nucleus for inspiring to action those many compatriots who entertain the same feeling for the ends in view."

The secretary of state for the state of Falson, Manuel Cartida, writes from Coro as follows: "I take satisfaction in giving assurances of approval of the laudable and patriotic aims of this movement." The president of Maracaibo, Jenus Murez Tebar, writes: "As head of the executive of this state, I deeply appreciate the patriotic purposes of this organization, which cannot fail to excite general approval of the laudable end it has in view."

The Venezuelan question divides with the committee on appointments the interst in the house to-day. A little talk was created by a statement of Mr. Livingstone, Georgia, who thought congress should not be kept waiting until President Cleveland returns to be informed of the contents of Lord Salisbury's reply, and that he would introduce a resolution calling on Sec. Olney for the correspondence. As this would be a rather unusual mode of procedure, several influential members, both Republican and Democratic, suggested to Mr. Livingstone that such an act might be construed as an act of discourtesy by President Cleveland. If Mr. Livingstone finds this opinion to be general, he will abandon his intention.

RAILROADS IN CHINA.

A Concession Granted to a Syndicate of American Capitalists.

Port Townsend, Dec. 9.—A concession from the Chinese government to build a line of railway from tidewater to Pekin has been obtained by a syndicate of American capitalists. The road will be about two hundred miles long, and will tap some valuable coal mining districts.

THE RUSSIANS IN COREA

Accused of Instigating the Conspiracy Against the King.

London, Dec. 9.—A dispatch from Shanghai says news has been received here which confirms the report that the Russians were the instigators of the conspiracy of Li Hua Shing against the King of Corea. Russians who assisted in the affair have identified some of the Americans who participated in the plot It is alleged that the latter joined in the conspiracy owing to the revocation of certain gold mine concessions granted by the Queen, and because their salaries as advisers were reduced.

SOMEWHAT PHARASAICAL.

English Political Women Anxious To Go House-Cleaning in America.

London, Dec. 9.—At a meeting of the Women's Liberal Association in the county of Lancaster, Mrs. Jacob Bright, presiding, the convention passed the following resolution: "Resolved, that we desire to enter a most emphatic protest against the barbarism known as lynching, burning, and all other tortures practised, more especially upon the colored people in the United States."

THE CONTENTIOUS SPIRIT.

That Has Split Up the Irish Party Still Alive.

Dublin, Dec. 9.—Mr. John E. Redmon, leader of the Parnellite faction of the Irish National party in parliament, delivered a speech in Navan, county Meath, to-day, in which he urged evicted tenants to demand from Mr. Justin McCarthy, leader of the McCarthyite wing of the party, an accounting of the Paris fund of £25,000, allotted for the benefit of the evicted tenants, which he declared had been expended to settle differences between the Dillonites, Healyites and O'Brienites.

THE ABYSSINIAN DISPUTE.

Reported Repulse of King Menelik by Italian Troops Yesterday.

Rome, Dec. 9.—The army of King Menelik, of Abyssinia, consisting of 20,000, was surrounded yesterday and surprised by five companies of Italian troops under Major Toselli. At Ambalagi General Arimondi, with another body of Italian troops, advanced to the support of Count Toselli, but was stopped by the enemy, when a battle was fought. Official dispatches say the losses of the Abyssinians were heavy. No news is furnished concerning Major Toselli's command, and nothing is said about the Italian losses.

—Paper bags and wrapping paper; wholesale price. Johnston's, Douglas street.

JUDGMENTS GIVEN TO-DAY

By the Supreme Court of Canada at Ottawa in Some Important Appeals.

B. C. Courts Mainly Upheld in the Case of Wolley v. Lowenberg, Harris & Co.

Information on the Mail Contract for the Puget Sound Sensationalist.

Ottawa, Dec. 9.—The Supreme Court gave judgments to-day. In the case of Vancouver vs. Bailey, the appeal was dismissed with costs. Ontario won its appeal against the Dominion in connection with one point taken regarding the arbitration of the case now going on between Ontario and Quebec and the Dominion. This was in regard to the Dominon desiring to charge the increase of annuities granted to Indians against the province.

The case of Sparks estate, of Ottawa, against the Dominion for the ownership of certain lands on the Rideau canal bank, Ottawa, will have to be reargued, because Mr. Justice Fournier, who heard the case, has resigned, and the other four judges stand two for and two against. A batch of other less important judgments were given.

In the Supreme Court to-day judgment was given in the British Columbia case of Lowenbery, Harris & Co. vs. Wolley. The appeal was partially allowed, directing a new trial on account of damages only.

This means that the Supreme Court has affirmed the judgment of the courts here, differing only on the point of damages.

On inquiry at the postoffice department it is learned that only one winter mail for the upper Yukon has been arranged for by the department. This mail was made up at Victoria on December 1st, going thence to Juneau, Alaska, by steamer and thence over the mountains to Fort Cudahy by dog train. Fort Cudahy, which is to be officially known hereafter as Fort Mackenzie, will be reached about the middle of January, and the same courier is expected to come out again with areturn mail in March. The outgoing mail was limited to sixty-five pounds, government letters being given the preference, and then letters for the people at the fort.

Toronto, Dec. 9.—A preliminary investigation into the affairs of Samson, Kennedy & Co. shows the assets, roughly, to be only $200,000, and by the allowance is made for solicitors' and receivers' fees, not more than 20 or 25 cents on the dollar will be left for creditors. E. R. Clarkson will probably be appointed receiver. The claims of Canadian firms aggregate a quarter of a million, D. Morrice, of Montreal, being the heaviest creditors. The claims of English houses total almost $200,000.

At Trinity Methodist church last evening Rev. W. F. Wilson made an appeal for a special thanks offering, and $15 were placed on the plates.

St. Hilair, Que., Dec. 9.—The Baloeil village church was destroyed by fire yesterday; $17,000 will harly cover the loss. The vicar-general, who has been many years getting money for the erection of the church, is almost broken-hearted over the disaster.

VANCOUVER GAMBLERS.

Receive Their Deserts at the Terminal City To-Day.

Vancouver, Dec. 9.—The men arrested in the Chinese gambling den raid on Saturday night, came before Magistrate Russell this morning. Whites and the Chinese who were caught participating in the game, were fined $20 and upwards. The keeper was sent up for trial.

Cuba.

Tampa, Fla., Dec. 9.—The long-pre-Colaso has ben temporarily disbanded. It was composed of 116 men, and was to have carried to Cuba 400 Remington carbines, 400,000 rounds of ammunition, many machetes, dynamite and other powerful and secret explosives. The men who formed this have been camped on the various keys on the southern coast of Florida for the past two days. The cause of disbanding is partly the delay of the steamer expected on several different occasions.

—A meeting of the licensing court will be held at 2 o'clock on Wednesday. A number of applications will come up.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

GERMAN IRE AROUSED

By President Cleveland's Message Touching on Trade With the Fatherland.

The Socialist War—Kaiser Indirectly Acknowledges the Agrarian Party's Aims.

Berlin, Dec. 9.—President Cleveland's strictures in his message to congress of Germany's treatment of American food exports and insurance companies, have created a sensation here. The government, thus far, through its organs have not replied to Mr. Cleveland's utterances. The only semi-official statement has been that of the Cologne Gazette, in which reference was made to the disadvantages under which Germany exports to America suffered and contending that the inspection of American pork was merely of a local nature which did not warrant the differential treatment of German imports to America. The statement was made that they were only subjected to the same regulations as all other institutions in Prussia, and concluded with the remark that such questions should not be decided in a moment of anger; but should be settled in a manner agreeable to both countries after careful consideration of all that can be said for and against. It was also stated that there was no doubt that that was also Mr. Cleveland's desire.

The Berliner Tageblatt reminds the government that it has been warned not to take too severe measures against American imports and insurance companies.

The radical Freissinge Zeitung says: "Our industrial interests are threatened all the more because the Agrarian party will not fail to drive Germany into a tariff war with America for the purpose of excluding entirely American cereals. The action of several states, such as Missouri, regarding German insurance companies, is keenly watched and the whole matter will be thoroughly ventilated in the Reichstag, the intention of the Freissinge party and National Liberals being to precipitate a discussion of the subject during the coming week at the first reading of the budget."

A representative of the Associated Press had an interview during the week with Count von Mirbach, the well known Conservative leader, on President Cleveland's message. The Count said: "The Americans are totally wrong in menacing us with tariff reprisals. Germany has done no more in shutting out American food stuffs of notoriously inferior quality than hygienic considerations and care of the people's welfare demands. The trouble with American insurance companies is, I understand, solely due to their unwillingness or inability to comply with our insurance laws. No more is asked of them than of our own companies. We cannot be expected to favor foreign companies more than our own."

Herr Richter, leader of the Freissinge party, said: "This tariff war between the United States and Germany is the natural outcome of the tariff policy fostered on both sides of favoring raw products at the expense of the manufacturers. It is high time that both countries should come to an amicable understanding on the subject. I fear, though, that things will grow worse before they grow better, for our Agrarian party here is much stronger this winter than a year ago, and is bent upon making trouble. In order to foster its own interests, it refuses to recognize the fact that Germany is no longer an agricultural but an industrial nation. I think the Agrarians will be at once again defeated in the Reichstag."

The fall of Baron von Koeller, late Prussian minister of the interior, is still the sensation of politics, but it has not led to a cessation of the police campaign against the Socialists and the courts will be kept busy for months to come with cases created by order of Baron von Koeller. Indictments have been found in the Berlin courts against Herren Liebknecht, Aur and Bebel and sixty-seven other Socialist leaders. In addition three editors of the Vorwaerts, the Socialist organ, are now in jail and the rest of the editorial staff of the paper are under indictment. Besides these cases six Socialist members of the Reichstag have been indicted and Editor Ewald, of Brandenburg, has been sentenced to imprisonment for lese majeste. Editor Diehl, of Chemnitz, was sentenced to a year's imprisonment for the same offence.

Emperor William is reported as saying to Prince Hohenlohe at the dinner given by Baron von Hammerstein Loxten, the Prussian minister of agriculture: "Something will have to be done for our suffering agriculturists before it is too late, and I hope the Reichstag will this time see the necessity for some action."

The Emperor has directed that all his children be taught shorthand and he has been practising shorthand writing the past three months. The Crown Prince, Prince Frederick William, who is about 13 years of age, can take down his father's utterances at the rate of 90 words per minute.

EIGHT HOURS A DAY

To Be Taken Up by the Great Convention of Federated Labor.

New York, Dec. 9.—The fifteenth annual convention of the American Federation of labor opened to-day and will continue for perhaps ten days. The sessions will be held in the assembly hall of the Madison street garden. About 130 regular delegates are expected and the number of labor leaders and other interested persons who will attend without having the right to vote will swell the number considerably. It is expected this convention will be larger than any previous meeting of the organization. During the last year the membership of the order has increased about 100,000, by the accession of several national trade organizations and the 130 delegates will represent about 800,000 members. Mayor Strong will deliver the address of welcome. There will also be addresses on the opening day by J. W. Sullivan, author of "The Initiative and Referendum," and Prof. Felix Adler. Among the other well known persons who are expected to address the convention are Mayor Pingree of Detroit, John Swinton, James R. Buchanan and many others who are prominent in the labor movement and otherwise. England will be represented by two fraternal delegates, J. C. Cowey, of the miners' union, and James Mawdsley, of the textile workers. The eight hour day will be the principal subject of discussion at the meeting. The question will be brought up by a set of resolutions which will be introduced by ex-President Gompers in his capacity as delegate from the cigarmakers' union, and discussion will be chiefly on ways and means for bringing about the desired result. As to the principle involved there is no doubt that the convention will be a unit.

AMERICAN ART IN PARIS.

An Institute To Become a National Affair Will Be Built.

New York, Dec. 9.—A certificate of incorporation of the American National Institute has been filed with the county clerk. The institute is organized for the purpose of providing a home in Paris for American girls who go there to study. The president of the organization is Chauncey M. Depew, and the board of directors is made up of Henry C. Marquand, Thomas Hunton, Edward Walpole Warren, Charles F. Hoffman, John F. Dillon, John D. Crimmins, Mary P. Callender, Caroline De Forest, Helen McKay Gilder, Sarah E. Buckbee and Mathilda D. Smedley, of this city, and ex-Governor Chamberlain, of Brunswick, Maine. Miss Smedley has been active in the organization of the institute, and will be its resident director in Paris. There will be built at once a suitable building, to cost $100,000, the plans for which have been drawn. This will stand on a plot of ground to cost $50,000. It will be under the care of Miss Smedley, who will have two assistants, one of whom will be a French woman. The building will contain sleeping apartments for 250 pupils, besides dining rooms, reception rooms, an assembly room and a lecture room. The only educational feature of the institution will be a course in French and a course in music. These studies will be taught in private if it is so desired. For instruction an extra price will be charged, but the price of board and lodging at the institute will be $400 a year. This will be about what the actual cost will be, it is thought. The salary list and the outside expenses of the institute will be paid out of the interest of a fund of $100,000, which will be invested in this country. All the money affairs of the enterprise are to be under the absolute control of a board of trustees in this country. The domestic affairs of the institution will be under the control of a council in Paris. The chairman of this council is to be the American minister or his wife, and to it any breach of discipline will be reported. The rules of the institute require that in order to obtain admittance the applicant shall have reached a certain degree of proficiency. She must be recommended by a school or institution in this country. Some scholarships will be established. It is thought that most of the three hundred or more girl art students of Paris will affiliate themselves with the institute. The society wants to raise $250,000, and $140,000 has already been contributed. It is hoped to make the enterprise national in character by securing subscriptions in every state. It is thought the $110,000 will be raised without any difficulty.

WINTER'S WINDS IN EUROPE

Damage by Storm and Flood in Old Country Towns.

Copenhagen, Dec. 9.—In consequence of the storm, high tides have flooded all towns in northern and western Jutland. The towns of Nykjobing, Struer and Lemvig are inundated, and the dyke at Ferring has burst. Great damage has been done everywhere.

Ellensburg, Prussia, Dec. 9.—The gale which has been doing so much damage in this vicinity finally became a regular hurricane, sweeping with great force over the entire coast. Since yesterday it has been constantly on the increase. Immense damage was caused by the bursting of dams and dykes along the western shores, and the resultant floods have been extensive and prolific with accidents.

Berlin, Dec. 9.—The storm caused great damage at all towns along the coast of the North Sea. Floods are general. At Hamburg the tramways are submerged and traffic has been stopped.

BIG FIRE IN SAN FRANCISCO.

Wholesale District Does Damage to the Amount of About $300,000.

San Francisco, Dec. 9. Fire broke out in the men's furnishing goods store of Hoffman & Alexander Saturday evening and in an hour damage to the extent of $300,000 had been inflicted. The building, a three-storey brick, was right in the heart of the wholesale district and it looked for a time as if the surrounding buildings would be destroyed. Next to the burnt structure was the immense establishment of Levi Strauss & Co., but energetic work by the fire department prevented the spread of the flames. The building was occupied by a number of wholesale and manufacturing firms and the losses were as follows: Hoffman & Alexander, $200,000, insurance $150,000; Friedman & Rogers, boots and shoes, $40,000, insurance $21,000; San Francisco and New York Collar company, $35,000, insurance $30,000. National Saddlery company, $15,000, insurance unknown.

The building, which was owned by the Clarke estate, is a total loss. It was valued at $30,000, fully insured. The origin of the fire is unknown.

HONEST HELP.

Thousands of men are suffering because they lack the courage to make known their early errors and to endeavor to remedy them. Nervous weakness, loss of manhood and the many ills due to early indiscretions, excesses or overwork can be quickly, successfully and permanently cured, if you will only let the right people know what ails you. Write to me in confidence and I will tell you, free of charge, how to get cured. I have nothing to sell, but am desirous of honestly helping you. Perfect secrecy assured. Describe your case and address with stamp:—L. A. Edwards, P. O. Box 55, Jarvis, Ont. *

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a sense of security in knowing that the hoops wont fall off your tubs and pails on wash-day.

This luxury is enjoyed only by those using

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The hoops dont fall off—because there are none.

TACOMA'S THREE CHINESE.

The Council Views Their Presence "With Alarm and Regret."

Tacoma, Dec. 9.—In the city council on Saturday Harman introduced a resolution expressing alarm and regret at the presence of Chinamen in Tacoma as an additional competitor with the true American citizen" in the struggle for existence. The resolution wound up by requesting "all American citizens and our friends to be vigilant and use all honorable means to prevent the re-establishment of a Chinatown within the city limits or in Pierce county." It was adopted without opposition.

The charges against Councilman C. A. Cavender were read to-day, and December 18 set as the date of trial. At his own request Mr. Cavender was excused from performing any of the duties of councilman until the case is closed.

Friends of ex-City Treasurer McCauley have been much alarmed over his actions of late. To-day, armed with a 38-calibre revolver, he went looking for Councilman Norton at the city hall. McCauley blames Norton for the exposures leading to his arrest. He was fortunately stopped by Chief Smith and disarmed before doing any damage. His friends and relatives fear he will do himself injury.

THE VENEZUELA BOUNDARY.

The Government Strengthening the Defences on the Line.

San Francisco, Dec. 9.—A Caracas special says that after the council this morning it was decided to positively refuse to accede to any further demands of England and prepare for the defence of national territory against further incursions. Orders to that effect have already been issued to Le E. Juayra Puerto Caballo.

The defences have been ordered increased and troops centred on the frontier. Leaders of the opposition to Crespo are tendering their services in case of war, which is now unavoidable.

It is rumored that troops on the frontier will recuperate the national territory now occupied by the English. It is semi-officially stated that already four nations have promised to aid Venezuela in the war.

HAYWARD HANGS WEDNESDAY.

Receives the News with Execrations Against His Brother.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 9.—Governor Clough has sentenced Harry Hayward, the murderer of Catharine Ging, to be hanged on Wednesday, Dec. 11.

Harry Hayward heard the news of his doom from Sheriff Holmberg's lips. The prisoner evinced no sign of breaking down, but on the other hand repeated the awful execrations against his broth-Adry, which of late have been the only indication that he appreciated the seriousness of his position.

One Honest Man.

Dear Editor:—Please inform your readers, that if written to confidentially I will mail in a sealed letter, particulars of a genuine, honest home cure, by which I was permanently restored to health and manly vigor, after years of suffering from nervous debility, sexual weakness, night losses and weak shrunken parts. I was robbed and swindled by the quacks until I nearly lost faith in mankind, but thank heaven, I am now well, vigorous and strong, and wish to make this certain means of cure known to all sufferers. I have nothing to sell, and want no money, but being a firm believer in the universal brotherhood of man, I am desirous of helping the unfortunate to regain their health and happiness. Perfect secrecy assured. Address with stamp:—Mr. Edward Lambert. P. O. Box 55, Jarvis, Ont.

HOPE FOR INGERSOLL YET.

The Democrats Win in a Special Election at Louisville.

Louisville, Dec. 9.—The Democrats won out to-day in the special election in the 48th legislative district, sending A. J. Carroll to the legislature by a majority of 468 over Charles A. Blades, the Republican nominee. As a result the Kentucky legislature is left with a tie on joint ballot, and the balloting for a United States senator to succeed Senator Blackburn is likely to result in a deadlock. On joint ballot the Democrats and Republicans will have sixty-eight votes each and the Populists two, and it is pretty well assured that the Populist vote will split.

The election was a hotly contested one. Carroll had refused his certificate after the November election because of the secret withdrawal of Shrieve, the Republican candidate. Carroll, who is an ex-speaker of the house, declared he could not accept an election carrying with it the least suspicion of fraud, and demanded a special election.

—As an emergency medicine, Ayer's Cherry Pectoral takes the lead of all other remedies. For the relief and cure of croup, whooping cough, sore throat, and the dangerous pulmonary troubles to which the young are so liable, it is invaluable, being prompt to act, sure to cure.

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LABBY ON FARM PUPILS.

The Irrepressible One Has Exposed Another Rascal in the Business.

London, Dec. 9.—Truth this week publishes a long exposure of the Canadian farm pupil business of the International Immigration Association, limited, of Victoria street, London, to which the Canadian papers refer. It turns out that the venture was that of a man named Pointing, whose alleged rascality Truth exposed in July and August, 1894, in connection with an employment agency in the Strand.

Gozzins—How many voices are there in that choir at your church?

Bazley—About seven.

Gozzins—Why, I had an impression that it had forty or fifty members.

Bazley—So it has, but you asked me how many voices!—Roxbury Gazette.

Catarrh in the Head

Is a dangerous disease because it is liable to result in loss of hearing or smell, or develop into consumption. Read the following:

"My wife has been a sufferer from catarrh for the past four years and the disease had gone so far that her eyesight was affected so that for nearly a year she was unable to read for more than five minutes at a time. She suffered severe pains in the head and at times was almost distracted. About Christmas, she commenced taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, and since that time has steadily improved. She has taken six bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla and is on the road to a complete cure. I cannot speak too highly of Hood's Sarsaparilla, and I cheerfully recommend it." W. H. FURSTER, Newmarket, Ontario

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LEGAL NOTICES.

Notice.

I hereby give notice that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria, at their next sitting for a transfer of the license held by me to sell spirituous and fermented liquors on the premises known as the "Jubilee Saloon," situate at 49 Johnson street, Victoria, to Alex. McTaggart, of Victoria.

J. H. GAERTNER.

Dated the 5th of November, 1895.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the City of Victoria, I shall apply for a transfer of the license now held by me to sell spirituous or fermented liquors by retail at the White Horse Hotel, corner of Humboldt and McClure streets, to Tom Hinchcliffe.

RODERICK CAMERON.

Victoria, B. C., Nov. 14th, 1895.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply at the next sitting of the Licensing Board for the City of Victoria, for a transfer of the license held by me to sell spirituous and fermented liquors on the premises known as the "Senate" Saloon, situate at No. 91 Government street, Victoria, to James Preston, of the City of Victoria.

FRED WELDON.

Dated Nov. 4th, 1895.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply at the next sitting of the Licensing Board for the City of Victoria, for a transfer of the license held by me to sell spirituous and fermented liquors on the premises known as the "London Saloon," situate on the southeast corner of Johnson and Broad streets, Victoria, to Fritz Schneider, of the city of Victoria.

C. F. JACKSON.

Dated Nov. 4th, 1895.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria, for a transfer to Robert Anderson, of the license now held by me for the sale of liquors by retail upon the premises known as the Telegraph Hotel, situate at No. 47 Store street, in the city of Victoria.

Dated at Victoria, 25th October, 1895.

oc25 MRS. P. A. ASTRICO.

Notice.

Any person who shall have in his possession the deeds of the farm of the late Samuel Ricketts, or any knowledge of the whereabouts of the same, shall be rewarded upon application to R. PORTER or THOS. SHOTBOLT, Executors.

Victoria, Oct. 24th, 1895. nov7-3w

Notice.

All persons having claims against the estate of the late Samuel Rickets, are requested to send particulars thereof to Robert Porter or Thomas Shotbolt on or before November 1st, 1895, and all persons indebted to the said deceased are requested to pay such indebtedness to us forthwith.

ROBERT PORTER,
THOMAS SHOTBOLT,
Executors.

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Notice.

Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria, for a transfer to Robert B. Hamilton, of the license now held by me for the sale of liquors by retail upon the premises known as the American Hotel, situate on 15 Yates street, in the city of Victoria.

Dated at Victoria, 26th October, 1895

oc26 W. J. PHILLIPS.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the City of Victoria, I shall apply for a transfer of the license now held by me to sell spirituous or fermented liquors by retail at the Clarence Hotel, situate on the corner of Yates and Douglas streets, to George Walker and A. R. McDonald.

GEORGE G. MELDRAM.

Victoria, B. C., Nov. 7th, 1895. 1m

In the goods of Carlo Bossi, Deceased

All persons indebted to the estate of the late Carlo Bossi, deceased, are required to pay the amount of their indebtedness forthwith to the undersigned or to Americo Vincenzo Bossi, No. 185 Johnson Street, Victoria, B. C., and all persons having any claims against the said estate are requested to send full particulars of their claims, duly verified, to the undersigned or to the said Americo Vincenzo Bossi, No. 185 Johnson Street, Victoria, B. C., before the 16th day of December, 1895.

Dated the 15th day of November, 1895.

FRANCIS B. GREGORY,
Board of Trade Building, Victoria, B. C.
Solicitor for Americo Vincenzo Bossi and Andrea Calvino Bossi, Executors of the Estate of the late Carlo Bossi, deceased.

nov16-1m

Land Registry Act.

Part (30 acres) of Section 14, Range VI., East, and of Section 14, Range 5, East, South Saanich District.

Whereas the Certificate of Title of Richard James Smith to the above hereditaments, bearing date the 26th June, 1891, has been lost and application has been made for a duplicate of such certificate.

Notice is hereby given that such duplicate will be issued unless cause be shown to the contrary, in writing within one month from the date hereof.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Deputy Registrar General.

Land Registry Office,
Victoria, November 27th, 1895.

In the Matter of the Estate and Effects of Archibald Turner, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the Honorable Theodore Davie, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, has granted probate of the will of Archibald Turner to Simeon Duck and Oregon Columbus Hastings, the executors thereon named.

All persons indebted to or having claims against the estate are to make payment or application for payment as the case may be to the executors at the office of the undersigned.

Dated this 9th day of November, 1895.

WILLIAM DUCK,
Room 6, Duck Building, Broad street, Victoria, Solicitor for the Executors.

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LOST—Lady's seal tooth brooch, monogram on front and back. Finder please return to this office and get reward. dec7-3t

STRAYED OR STOLEN from 27 Labouchere street on Tuesday forenoon, small black and tan Toy Terrier bitch (about 7 inches high; 11 inches long). Anyone returning her to Gavin H. Burns, Labouchere street, or Bank of B. N. A., will be suitably rewarded. Anyone found keeping her after this notice will be prosecuted. no26-tf

WANTS.

WANTED—In good condition, dump cart and harness; state price. J. Stewart, Box 370, Nanaimo. dec7-3t

WANTED—Office boy. Apply between 10 and 12. A. H. Harman & Co., 30 Broad street. dec7-2t

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MEETINGS.

ESTATE OF GREEN, WORLOCK & CO

A meeting of the creditors of the late firm of Green, Worlock & Co. will be held at the Board of Trade room on Tuesday, the 10th day of December, 1895, at 2 o'clock p.m.

Creditors may vote either in person or by written proxy. Persons holding proxies are requested to present them to the Trustees at their office, No. 81 Government street, before the day of the meeting.

ROBERT BEAVEN,
JAMES STUART YATES,
Trustees of the Estate of Green, Worlock & Co. dec6-3t

CREAMERY.

A general convention of delegates from the different sections of North and South Victoria Districts will be held at Colquitz Hall, Carey Road, on TUESDAY, 10th DECEMBER next at 10 a.m. to discuss creamery business. Interested persons who are not delegates will be welcome between 2 and 3 p.m. nov25-f

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Drawing for prizes to take place on the last day of the Exhibition. Tickets can be obtained at the leading stores or from the members of the Union at 50 cents each.

L. C. BARFF,
Honorary Secretary.

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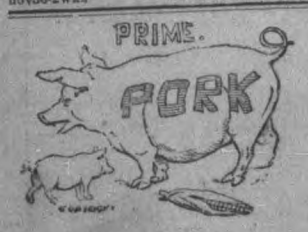

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Note—XMAS GOODS are fast coming in.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Complaint Regarding the Sewage From the Hospital.

An important meeting of the municipal board of health was held this morning. Superintendent Hussey, who acts as health officer for the district, addressed the board, complaining of the sewage from Jubilee hospital running into a ravine on Cadboro Bay road. The matter was referred to the sewerage committee of the city council.

Mr. Alexander Hendry having declined to agree to Mr. Furnival as an appraiser of the damage done at his residence by the board of health officials, the board decided to inform Mr. Hendry that he had the privilege of appointing an appraiser to act with the nominees of the city, and he could also be present.

The trustees of the Metropolitan Methodist church wrote protesting against the order of the health officers to fumigate the Sunday school, as it would destroy the frescoing, damage the cushions on the seats and interfere with the meetings held there during the week. The communication was referred to the health officer to report.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

BRIEF LOCALS.

Gleanings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form.

—China tea sets at Cheapside.

—Okell & Morris' jams and jellies are absolutely pure.

—Haughton & Co. announce some further tempting bargains.

—A nice collection of Japanese matting can now be seen at Weiler Bros.

Sheep Skin Rugs and Mats, several very pretty colors, also a few Lamp Mats at Weiler Bros.

—The choir of the R. E. church will meet in the school room this evening for a special rehearsal.

—The members of the Pacific club will hold their annual meeting in the club rooms to-morrow evening.

—A meeting of the Jubilee hospital board will be held this evening in the office of Yates & Jay, Langley street.

—Manager Jamieson, of the Victoria theatre, has booked the Pauline Hall opera company for a return appearance early in February.

—A wood-chopping contest to decide the championship of Cowichan will be held at McPherson's on Saturday next. Gold and silver medals and a number of special prizes will be given.

—Only three weeks to Christmas, and you have not yet began to fix up your homes with new carpets, curtains, etc., you can see a splendid line of new goods at Weiler Bros., and it will be worth your while to look at their great stock.

—If you are anxious to find the most reliable blood purifier, read in Ayer's Almanac the testimonials of those who have been cured of such terrible diseases as catarrh, rheumatism and scrofula, by the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Then govern yourself accordingly.

—The Victoria Building Society held its forty-eighth drawing on Saturday evening. C. D. Mason, A. Stewart and John Lovell were the drawing committee. The following were the successful shares: No. 2 A, by Mrs. S. Nicholson; No. 2 B, by E. Andrews, and No. 2, C and D, by Joseph Weiler.

—Mr. Robert J. Butler, of the postoffice staff in this city, and Miss Eliza Smith, of Comox, were married at Comox on Thursday last by the Rev. J. X. Willemar. Mr. Milton Westwood gave away the bride, who was attended by Miss Kate and Miss Mary Smith, while Mr. John Smith supported the groom. The happy couple arrived in the city by the steamer Joan.

—Charles F. Law has arrived in this city to visit the horse show, and is a guest at the Occidental. Mr. Law, who was commissioner for British Columbia at the World's Columbia Exposition at Chicago, is a Fellow of the Royal Colonial Institute, London, of which the Prince of Wales is president. At present he represents an English mining syndicate in British Columbia.—San Francisco Call.

—Margaret Morris, the woman smuggler, who was arrested at Port Townsend a few weeks ago, was indicted on Saturday by the United States grand jury for smuggling nine and one-half pounds of opium into the United States from British Columbia. Previous to her arrest Mrs. Morris made frequent trips to Seattle on the Sound boats. She was always accompanied by her 13 year old daughter.

—At a largely attended meeting held at Colquitz hall to discuss postal arrangements the following resolution was passed unanimously: "That the people of Lake district, assembled at Colquitz hall, are firmly of the opinion that a daily mail service to and from Garnham's postoffice is absolutely necessary, and that application should be made for the same to the honorable the postmaster-general of Canada without delay, and that a petition be at once circulated for signatures."

—The assault-at-arms for the benefit of Prof. Robert Foster was largely attended. The programme was an interesting and varied one and included songs by Messrs. T. Dooley and J. Pilling. The most interesting event for those present was the six-round contest for a purse between Young Jackson of Victoria and Pat Rooney of H. M. S. Royal Arthur. Captain Clive Phillips-Wolley, who acted as referee, decided in favor of Rooney.

—Officers were elected as follows at the last meeting of Triumph lodge, No. 4, Degree of Honor, A. O. U. W.: P. C. of H., Mrs. William Allen; C. of H., Mrs. V. E. Cox; L. of H., Mrs. Laura Cox; C. of C., Mrs. T. Cutler; Recorder, E. C. Smith; Financier, Miss S. Meyer; Receiver, H. McDonald; Usher, Mrs. Meyer; I. W., Miss Hood, and O. W., Captain Wm. Cox. The lodge will give a grand ball on Friday evening, Dec. 20th in aid of the B. C. Benevolent Society.

—Samuel B. Hopping, of Seattle, whose wife in her application for divorce made application also for temporary alimony, in order to pay the costs of the action, has filed in the superior court an affidavit stating his financial condition and showing his inability to pay such a sum of temporary alimony as was petitioned for. In view of the statements made in the affidavit, Judge Parker, in whose court the case is, granted Mrs. Hopping only $30 temporary alimony.

—When most needed it is not unusual for your family physician to be away from home. Such was the experience of Mr. J. Y. Schenck, editor of the Caddo, Ind. Terr., Banner, when his little girl, two years of age, was threatened with a severe attack of croup. He says: "My wife insisted that I go for the doctor, but as our family physician was out of town, I purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's cough remedy, which relieved her immediately. I will not be without it in the future. 75 cent bottles for sale by all druggists. Langley & Co., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

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PLOWMEN'S CONTEST.

The Saanich Match To Be Held On Saturday Next.

The Saanich plowing match will be held on Saturday next in a field belonging to Messrs. R. McClure and Reed, North Saanich. The committee offer the following prizes:

For professionals, $25, $20 and $15.

For amateurs, Nicholles & Renouf plow, $15 and $10.

For boys, E. G. Prior & Co., plow; $7.50 and $5.

The entrance fees are $5, $3 and $2 for professionals, amateurs and boys, respectively.

For best opening a buggy whip is offered by F. Norris. M. Miller gives a collie pup for the runner-up in the boys class.

THE THEOSOPHISTS.

An Address Dealing With the Beliefs of the Society.

The subject dealt with last night at the Theosophical Headquarters, 28 Broad street, was "the truth underlying all religions." The speaker said that the truth was not to be found in any particular religion, but existed in the heart of each individual. It was this expression, this longing to unite one's higher aspirations to the God within the soul of each individual that caused the different forms of religion in the world. It was this truth that the system known as Theosophy was proclaiming to the world to-day. This truth must eventually awaken in each individual soul if the evolution of the human race be accomplished, because it was only by recognition of the fact that the soul of man was one in essence with the divine that true knowledge of spiritual things could be gained. It was the spiritual recognition which Theosophy recognizes as the true brotherhood of man, and upon which the Theosophical society was founded.—Com.

CHARITY CONCERT.

Programme to be Presented at Institute Hall To-Morrow Evening.

The programme for the charity concert to be given by the ladies of the R. C. cathedral in Institute hall to-morrow evening follows:

PART I.

Selection.....Orchestra
Chorus—"O by Rivers"..Sir Henry Bishop
Choir St. Andrew's Cathedral.
Comic—"Coster's Courtship"....
Mr. F. Richardson.
Solo—"Home, Dearie, Home".....Molloy
Mrs. C. Rowlands.
Solo—"The Ship I Love".....
Mr. James Pilling.
Duet—"See the pale Moon".....Campana
Mesdames Laird and Rowlands.
Solo—"The Death of Nelson".....Braham
Mr. C. Rowlands.
Solo—"I Dreamt I Dwelt in Marble Halls"
.....Balfe
Madame Laird.

PART II.

Male Chorus—"The Winds Whistle Cold"
.....Sir Henry Bishop
Messrs. Sheden, Keith, Lang, Bullen, Lombard, Grizelle, Oliver, Bayntou, and Seni.
Duet—"Evening".....Smart
Mrs. Warkem and Mrs. Janion.
Solo—"The Vagabond".....Molloy
Mr. J. G. Brown.
Recitation—"The Roman Sentinel"
.....Florence
Miss Ina Brash.
Solo—"Leonore".....Trotere
Mrs. C. Rowlands.
Comic—"The Alapaca Coon".....
Mr. P. Dooley.
Solo—"A Little Mountain Lad"....Roeckel
Mrs. H. Young.
Solo—"Open Thy Lattice".....Gregh
Madame Laird.
Solo—"They All Love Jack".....Adams
Accompanist.....Mrs. C. A. Lombard
God Save The Queen.

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—Easterners wishing the old time Pennsylvania anthracite would be wise in placing their orders with Spratt & Macaulay, sole agents.

—Many complaints are made of ladies being insulted on the streets in the evening. On Saturday night two ladies were grossly insulted on Birdcage Walk before eight o'clock.

—Charles Brown and Charles Davidson, two men who live together in a cabin, were fined $5 this morning for fighting on the street. As Davidson remarked, there was too much whiskey flowing.

—The 25th annual banquet of the B. C. Pioneer Society will be held in the Occidental Hotel on Thursday evening next. Pioneer Jensen is making extensive preparations for the affair, and a large gathering is expected.

—The commencement exercises of the Cooper Medical college of San Francisco were held in that city last week. Two young men, well known in Victoria, W. H. Powell, son of W. Powell, manager of the San Francisco branch of the Bank of British Columbia, and R. H. Carter, son of City Tax Collector Carter, of this city, graduated. They will both practise in California.

—Alexander McKinnon, who undertook to disturb a Salvation Army meeting by loud talking in the barracks, and assaulted the caretaker, who ejected him, was fined $10 and costs in the police court this morning. Had he been charged with disturbing the meeting he would have been more severely dealt with, the law being very strict in such matters.

—A meeting to make final arrangements in the matter of establishing a creamery in Saanich district will be held at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning in Colquitz Hall, Carey road. Delegates from the different sections in North and South Victoria districts will be present. Persons interested in creamery matters will have an opportunity of meeting the committee in charge, at the hall, between two and three p.m.

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Events of Interest in the Amateur and Professional Field.

THE RING.

Cincinnati, Dec. 8.—Billy Thompson, who has taken the management of Denver Ed. Smith, announces his willingness to match him against any man in the world. He laughs at Corbett presenting the championship of the world to Peter Maher. He says Corbett never held the title of champion after his failure to accept the challenge of Joe Goddard, losing it by default. Smith immediately fought Goddard and defeated him, thus obtaining the championship. Consequently Corbett could not present what he did not own. Then Goddard beat Maher in three rounds, and Fitzsimmons had already defeated him. So Thompson says it is a farce for the two men to be contesting for the title. He says he will take on the winner, and in the meantime would arrange a match between Ed. Smith and Jim Hall, Joe Choynski or any other heavyweight in America, or he would go to England take on Paddy Slavin, Peter Jackson or Jem Smith.

A LITTLE MORE WIND.

New York, Dec. 9.—James J. Corbett will issue a statement over his signature in a few days, setting forth his position.

"My sympathies are heartily with Maher in his match with Fitzsimmons," said Corbett, "I hope he will beat that Australian's brains out. But if he does not I'll make Fitzsimmons fight for any amount he pleases or for a shoestring. I'll show that fellow up before I get through with him."

"But in case Fitzsimmons loses, will you fight Maher?"

"I intend to let Maher alone unless he makes cracks at me. In that case, I'll have to call him, that's all. I don't care to enter the ring again, but I won't allow anyone to make any bluffs in my direction."

FOOTBALL.

INTERMEDIATES.

The following teams have entered for the cup presented by the British Columbia Intermediate Football association: Northfield "Violets," "Junior Wanderers (Victoria), Nanaimo "Swifts," Victoria "Y. M. C. A.'s" and Nanaimo "Athletics." The Y. M. C. A. and Swifts will play at Caledonia Park on Dec 28th and the Junior Wanderers and Athletics on January 4th.

A DRAW.

The match between the Y. M. C. A. and United Service teams played on Saturday, resulted in a draw, both teams scoring one.

ROUGH ON THE SENTRY.

Awkward Consequences of the Surgeon's Benevolent Effort.

One of the most amusing stories of the day treats of mistaken philanthropy. At a certain army post there was a sentry on duty near the hospital. The surgeon was preparing to go to bed inside, when he was annoyed and alarmed at the sentry's coughing. His experienced ear told him that the man had a severe bronchial affliction needing a strong remedy.

He debated a while with himself and then going into the dispensing room compounded a powerful mixture. This he took outside to the sentry with instructions to swallow it immediately. The man refused. The surgeon insisted and finally commanded the man to take the medicine, which he did with much grumbling. Then the worthy surgeon went to bed, pleased to hear no more coughing.

Next morning, to his surprise, the commanding officer sent for him and said that the sentry had complained, declaring that the surgeon had forced him to swallow something that he thought was poison. An investigation following revealed the fact that while the surgeon was mixing the medicine the coughing sentry had been relieved, and consequently the remedy had been given to the wrong man.—London Tit-Bits.

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NEW SUBMARINE BOAT.

In Which Three Men Can Live Under Water for Twelve Hours.

Yet another submarine boat has been invented, or it is an old friend under an assumed name? Be this as it may, a submarine boat, ordered by the Brazilian government, was to be tried this week on the Seine, and the trials being satisfactory, other and larger vessels are to be built. The new boat, which is named the Goubet, is about 26 feet in length, about 5 feet 6 inches in diameter in the centre, and has a displacement of about ten tons. The motive power is supplied by electricity, and the screw also serves the purpose of a rudder, the shaft being jointed so as to enable it to be turned either to the right or to the left.

Three men, the inventor claims, can live under water in the Goubet for 12 hours with the supply of compressed air. This has, of course, to be proved; but in the event of anything going wrong, a lead keel, weighing over a ton, can be immediately dropped, and the boat will at once come to the surface like a cork. On account of electricity being used for supplying the propelling power, the sphere of action of the new boat must, of necessity, be very limited, as compasses cannot be used, but it could do all that is required of it. If taken on board a vessel and launched when the enemy's ship was in sight. The Goubet's mission is to throw torpedoes, and if the arrangements for throwing these projectiles can be relied upon, she will prove a formidable antagonist. To sink the Goubet, water is let into compartments in the lower part of the boat, and when it is sunk to any required depth, in that position it remains exactly, the arrangement for sinking the vessel being so beautifully and carefully arranged. One ounce of water, more or less, it is said, will cause the boat to sink lower or come nearer to the surface.—Court Journal.

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The Daily Times.

SMALL DEBTS COURT.

There is much to be said in favor of Mr. Marchant's contention that steps should be taken to preserve the existence of the small debts court, now threatened by the decision of the Hon. Justice Crease. One step, of course, is an appeal from that decision, and it has been generally assumed that an appeal will be taken, wherefore the comparative indifference of the public to the situation that has been created. This indifference is not a true indication of public opinion in regard to the court, which has been very generally recognized as providing necessary means for the collection of small debts. The county courts were created with this end in view, but the county courts have been diverted from their purpose. The constitution of the Ontario county courts made it possible in that province to create subsidiary tribunals, so to speak, in the shape of division courts, for the work of which the county judges were available. That material was not at hand in sufficient quantity in this province, and so arose the idea of calling in the aid of police magistrates. We believe the operation of the courts as constituted has met with general approval from the public, and that the regret will be as general if they cannot be continued. The provincial government will no doubt show themselves alive to the advisability of taking some action likely to secure their continuance in something like their original form.

GOVERNMENT TRICKERY.

At the Antigonish Conservative convention Mr. Chisholm, who was nominated to again oppose Mr. McIsaac, said the government was pledged to remedial legislation and could be relied upon to pass it. Ministers Tupper and Dickey were on the platform and endorsed this declaration. But in North Ontario the Conservative candidate pleads ignorance of what the government will do, and refuses to say what position he will take. His course is approved by members of the government. There never was a more shameful exhibition of cowardice and evasion than this in the part of any government or set of politicians. The people of Antigonish are told one thing and the people of North Ontario another. And yet, while indulging in this species of trickery, Sir Hibbert Tupper "attacks Mr. Laurier and charges him with cowardice and insincerity on the subject of the Manitoba schools." Nobody but a Tupper could be so brazenly impudent.

Montreal Herald: Agricultural depression in Great Britain, of which we hear so much, does not appear to be more serious than it is in the United States and other countries, if figures are any gauge. The value of farm produce in the United States at three given periods were as follows: 1870, $2,444,538,658; 1880, $2,212,540,927; 1890, $2,460,107,454. During this period the population increased by over 24,000,000 in 1890, as compared with 1870, and the number of farms nearly doubled, yet the value of farm products decreased by over $200,000,000 in 1880, as compared with 1870, and by 1890 increased, as compared with 1870, by only $24,000,000. These figures compared with the returns showing the condition of British agriculture during a period of thirty years do not make a glaringly prosperous showing. Mulhall says that in 1840 the investment of £1,968,000,000 in farm lands in Britain produced £218,000,000, giving employment to 8,400,000 hands, an average of £65 per hand. In 1870, with an increased capital of £2,287,000,000, the products was £251,000,000, and the number of hands employed 2,560,000, and the average product per hand only £97. Agriculture in Great Britain has, of course, suffered from the pressure of foreign competition, especially American, yet under all circumstances it has held its own remarkably well.

It is rather amusing to find Dr. Montague, "the Haldimand windbag," attacking Mr. Laurier's record. Perhaps the worthy political medico thinks this is an offset to the scathing criticism of himself lately offered by that vigorous Conservative, Edmund E. Sheppard.

Hamilton Spectator (Conservative): It does not seem to strike our friends of the government that they are the people who are endangering the National Policy for the sake of a few French halfbreeds up in Manitoba. There are two ways of looking at some things.

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—A meeting of the creditors of Green, Worlock & Co. has been called for 2 o'clock to-morrow.

—New line of pocket cutlery just opened at Fox's, 78 Government street. Shaving outfits a specialty, guaranteed.

—Evangelistic meetings are still being conducted in Gospel hall, Yates street, by J. Monypenny, the attendance and attention being encouraging.

—Colfax lodge, No. 1, Daughters of Rebekah, will meet on Tuesday evening. There will be an initiation and also election of officers. A full attendance is requested.

—Mr. James Harrison, of Carey road, Lake district, died yesterday morning at St. Joseph's hospital. The funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon from Hanna's undertaking parlors, Douglas street.

—Captain Thomas Devereaux, of the Tacoma police, is dead. Captain Devereaux was one of the best known members of the Tacoma police force. He served as captain under Chief Chesney and Chief Davis, and was desk sergeant under Chief Smith until a month ago, when he resigned his position.

—Turkey for supper and the best of music is what those attending the social dance of Court Vancouver, A. O. F., will enjoy next Thursday evening in A. O. U. W. hall. Tickets, admitting ladies and gentleman, $1.50. To be had of S. Sea, Speed Bros., F. Carne, jr., Watson & Hall and members of committee.

—Two young men, Scott and Dutton, who have been "rusticating" in Victoria for a couple of months, were in the police court this morning, but the information against them was dismissed. They have rooms in a Government street hotel, and a few evenings ago amused themselves by throwing a bottle and a glass through the window of an adjoining building at a Chinaman. The Chinaman did not appear and the information was dismissed.

—All the press notices from Seattle and other points on the Sound are agreed that the Palmer operatic company is an excellent one, made up of first-class operatic artists, and their first appearance at the Victoria theatre on Friday evening next should be encouraged by a large audience. The company will appear in the three act musical comedy-drama "Our Boy," in which Mr. Palmer plays the part of Tony Faust. Mr. Palmer is said to be a clever comedian, possessing a rich tenor voice.

—Professors Whittington and Odlum, of the Columbia Methodist college, New Westminster, are in the city endeavoring to secure assistance to wipe out the debt in connection with the college. Professor Whittington preached yesterday morning at the James Bay Methodist church and in the evening at the Centennial, while Professor Odlum conducted the services at the Centennial in the morning and at the Metropolitan in the evening. Professor Odlum will deliver popular lectures during the week in the different Methodist churches of the city. He will be at the Centennial this evening, Tuesday at the Metropolitan, Wednesday at James Bay and Thursday at Victoria West.

—To-morrow at the salesrooms of Joshua Davies, Bastion square, will be sold at public auction a number of pieces of improved and unimproved city real estate. This sale has been extensively advertised by advertisement in the daily papers and by the distribution of some three thousand lithographed maps through the Times and Colonist. The catalogue is equal to the best efforts of Mr. Davies, and is comprehensive to any one acquained with the city. It certainly appears purchasers have an excellent opportunity of making bargains, as from the publicity given to the sale it would indicate that the mortgages are desirous of realizing on their securities. The terms appear to be liberal, being 25 per cent. cash, the balance payable in three equal annual payments. The sale will be held at 12 o'clock noon.

PERSONAL.

W. H. Ellis returned from the Sound this morning.

E. Klinger, of Port Townsend, was in the city yesterday.

N. P. Snowden returned last evening from a trip to Europe.

George Garesche arrived from San Francisco last evening.

Miss Edith Lombard leaves this evening for San Francisco.

R. S. Norton, of Toronto, registered at the Driard last evening.

Robt. Fletcher, chief clerk of the Driard, is visiting the Sound.

D. J. Munn, of New Westminster, is a guest at the Driard.

A. E. McPhillips, the barrister, has gone to California in search of health.

Hamilton Abbott and Miss Abbott were passengers on the Charmer last evening.

J. H. Brownlee and B. H. John returned from Vancouver by yesterday's Charmer.

Dennis Jordan, of the West Wellington Mines, arrived from San Francisco by the Puebla.

R. J. Ker, W. A. Lawson and C. E. Dickinson, spent Saturday and Sunday in Seattle.

M. R. Goldberg, representing George R. Jackson, leaves to-night for Vernon on a business trip.

A. Cunninghame, who is putting in the coke ovens at Union for Messrs. Dunsmuir, returned yesterday from California. He was accompanied by Mrs. Cunninghame.

E. P. Davis, Charles Wilson, and C. A. Lett, of Vancouver, and Aulay Morrison and A. J. McColl, of New Westminster, are down for the sitting of the Divisional court.

Mrs. S. M. Bradbury, the Misses Bradbury, L Bradbury, Miss Woolrich and Miss Cerdan, of San Francisco, are at the Driard. They leave for the Orient by the Empress of China.

Dr. A. F. Langley, who spent some time in the principal hospitals of Europe, will begin the practice of his profession in this city. He is a graduate of McGill University and also the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons, Edinburgh.

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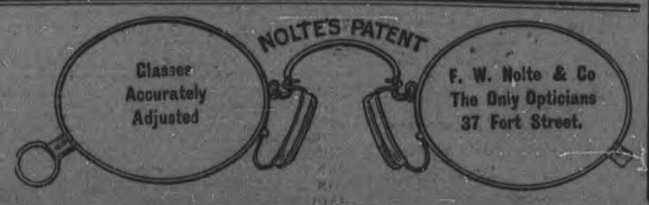

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WAS A GREAT GAME

Vancouver Defeated Victoria at Rugby Football on Saturday Afternoon.

Corbett Comes Out of His Shell—The Franklin Road Race Dispute.

The annual Rugby football match between Victoria and Vancouver was played at Caledonia park on Saturday afternoon in good football weather, the ground being perhaps a trifle soft. A splendid game was witnessed by those fortunate enough to be present, and although the result was not satisfactory to the home team, winners and losers alike were deserving of credit. Turning to the personnel of the visiting team, old footballers were pleased to see and welcome C. H. Woodward back again in his old place on the Vancouver team, and from the game he played it is evident he has not deteriorated by his absence from the last few games played here between the teams of the rival cities.

Vancouver kicked off from the uppermost end of the ground at 3.15 p.m., and Scholefield returned, but did not find touch, as did Woodward the next moment, and the game settled down in neutral territory. The Vancouver back division soon gave evidence of being above the average, and the spectators were treated to some very pretty combination. The Vancouver forwards, headed by Purvis, rushed the ball into the home 25, where Sugrue tackled Ernest Martin before he could pass. The Victoria forwards were now settling down to work, and, tackling well and smartly, effectually nipped in the bud the combination of the opposing backs. At length Frank Miller essayed a drop at goal, but did not shoot straight, and a touchdown only resulted. Soon after the kickout Chance was called upon to save, which he did with a very neat kick into touch. Wollaston now became prominent, but the advantage gained was neutralized by F. Miller with a good run, spoiled at length by a forward pass.

The game at this point was of a seesaw description, neither side gaining any material advantage, until some splendid passing, started by Templar (who, by the way, wanted a lot of watching) was only stopped in the nick of time by Smith. The home forwards, among whom the Crease brothers and Langley were working like Trojans, came right away with the ball at their feet, but, kicking too hard, afforded Woodward a chance of saving, which he did capitally and transferred the game to the home 25, where Chance was again called upon to save with another good kick into touch.

The game was here transferred to the Vancouver 25 by a free kick allowed the home team. Good passing by Sugrue, Smith and Miller was spoiled by Woodward, who was very safe. The ball was now rushed to the Victoria 25, and after Sugrue had got in a "corkscrew" kick into touch, Gamble saved another rush of the visiting forwards right on the goal line.

The home forwards gradually worked the ball back to the 25 yard mark, where F. Miller got possession, and, dodging Petticrew, was brought down by Chance, fell across the line and scored the first point for Vancouver after a fine run. Woodward had no difficulty in converting. This success only seemed to stimulate the visiting team to greater exertions, and their forwards, headed by Purvis, R. Woodward and Boult, were very quick, the first-named tackling Petticrew beautifully before he could get in his kick. The visiting backs now gave an exhibition of some very good combination, in which Templar, E. Martin, F. Miller and C. H. Woodward all participated, the last-named being pulled up by Scholefield. Miller saved splendidly an ugly rush of the Vancouver forwards. Wollaston, Langley and the Crease brothers rushed the ball up the field, but a long kick from a visiting forward sent it back to the home 25 again.

The Vancouver full back was tackled with the ball, but cleverly managed to pass it to Woodward (ever ready for an emergency), who, as usual, found touch with a long kick. Miller tackling Warren in the nick of time spoiled what promised to be a dangerous piece of passing among the Vancouver backs. Sugrue intercepted a pass from Templar very neatly, and running up to the opposing full back essayed to punt over his head and gain possession again, but kicked too far, and Woodward saved what looked like being a certain score for Victoria. However, "Barney" returned to the attack and gained a lot of ground with a long punt up to the touch line, and at half time the ball was close to the Vancouver 25 line.

Miller re-started the game for Victoria, and after an exchange of kicks Petticrew was pushed into touch near the half way flag. The game was quickly transferred to the home 25, where Chance again saved splendidly with a good kick into touch, and immediately after a very ominous combined dribble of the visiting forwards, amongst whom Purvis and Woodward were prominent, was well saved by Miller, who with Chance was playing a sound defence for Victoria. Warren was now unfortunately temporarily laid out in an encounter with Austin, who was making a good run, and some of the spectators rendered invaluable assistance in supplying forced draught for his benefit. The home forwards gradually worked the ball down to the Vancouver 25, where W. Miller was tackled with the ball inside the visitors' 25. The partisans of the home team now hoped to see the score equalized, but it was not to be, and bad passing was instrumental in relieving the Vancouver line. A free kick was awarded to Vancouver, and Warren, who had now resumed his place on the field, kicked into touch close to the home goal line. The Victoria forwards immediately rushed the ball out of danger for the moment, but immediately afterwards Woodward made a capital attempt to drop a goal from the 25 yard mark. Victoria touched down. Soon after the kick-out Ernest Martin intercepted a pass and ran a long way down the field and passed to Templar, who was promptly thrown into touch. Sugrue brought timely relief with a good kick. A series of kicks now took place between Woodward, of Vancouver, and Miller, the home captain, the latter eventually gaining some twenty yards, and Scholefield directly after made a capital run, but was brought up, or rather down, by Woodward.

The home team were now playing better than at any previous period of the game, and a good rush by the home forwards culminated in Smith getting right away, and on being thrown into touch passed out like a flash to Sugrue, who was backing up, the latter literally forced his way over the visitors' line amid cheering. Vancouver raised an objection for the moment, as the referee had sounded his whistle. This he did on Smith being thrown into touch, but inasmuch as the latter threw the ball out at once, even as the whistle sounded, he promptly disallowed the objection. This perhaps was the smartest thing done by Smith throughout the game, and was fully appreciated by the spectators. Sugrue tried to convert, but his kick, though straight, fell short.

The home forwards, headed by Sugrue and Miller, now played like demons, and worked the ball right down to the Vancouver line, where Gamble got across right under the posts, but the ball was ordered back, and Purvis relieved with a long kick. A few minutes only remained for play, and the Victoria backs, as if wishing to show that they did understand combination, indulged in as fine a piece of passing as was seen throughout the afternoon. It was too dark to discern the individual participants in this last and splendid effort of the home team, but it appeared as if the whole back division took part, and the ball must have changed hands more than six times before being eventually held close to the Vancouver line. Directly after this the whistle sounded, leaving Vancouvers the winners of a capitally contested game by one goal to a try.

The result of the game was undoubtedly due to the combination of the visiting backs, of whom it is hard to single out any members for individual praise, as all played so well, but perhaps one may be excused for awarding a special tribute to C. H. Woodward, who played grandly, running and tackling like a machine, and withal as safe as the proverbial church. Of the forwards Purvis, Woodward and Boult were conspicuous, but all played well.

Of the home team it was undoubtedly due to Sugrue and Miller that the visiting combination was held in check as it was, and the latter was as safe as usual at centre. Sugrue was badly handicapped for the first few minutes by a blow on the right eye. Of Chance too much cannot be said for the way he accomplished everything he was called upon to do. He did not have much to do in the second half, but it is enough to say, perhaps, that he did everything that could be expected of a good full back. The forwards worked well and played a good game to a man, and perhaps the pick of a good lot were Langley, Wollaston and the Crease brothers. The forwards have, however, a fault which should be overcome—that of kicking too hard after they once get away with the ball. In this game they time and time again gained a lot of ground, but lost it all by kicking right into the hands of one of the opposing backs.

The thanks of the Vancouver team as well as of the home team are due to Hon. V. A. Stanley, who acted as referee in a perfect manner. It was not a hard game to umpire, inasmuch as it was an essentially friendly game, but at the same time it was a match in which a deviation from strict impartiality would have perhaps altered the result.

THE WANDERERS.

A special meeting of the Wanderers is called for to-night to meet in the B. C. Dye Works at 8 o'clock. All members are requested to attend, as there are a few matters of importance to be brought up.

There will be a meeting of the Y. M. C. A. association football club at the Y. M. C. A. rooms to-morrow evening, commencing at 8 o'clock sharp. As the meeting is important all members should attend.

THE WHEEL.

MR. FRANKLIN'S CASE.

It would seem, from all the facts, that the referee in the recent road race at Stanley park erred somewhat on the side of prudence in barring Mr. Franklin from competing. The referee barred Mr. Franklin from the race because he claimed that, although the C. W. A. had no control over road racing, they had over their individual members, and therefore Mr. Frfanklin could not compete in the race, for by his competing with Class A men he would make all of them Class B too.

Mr. Franklin accordingly wrote the secretary of the C. W. A. for an expression of opinion, and that opinion has already been published in part. The full letter, however, which follows, places a different light on the question and shows clearly that the referee would have been in perfect order in admitting Mr. Franklin. The letter reads as follows:

Simcoe, Ont., Nov. 18, 1895.

H. J. Franklin, Esq.

Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir: Replying to your favor of the 9th inst, I might say that I am not the proper person to apply to for an official ruling on such a matter. I have no jurisdiction over racing matters, but almost any member of the C. W. A. in this part of the Dominion would be able to tell you as well as I am that as the C. W. A. exercises no jurisdiction over road racing, we are not disposed to object if Class A and Class B men compete together in road races, so long as they observe the amateur rules. We would take no more cognizance of a road bicycle race than we would of a skate race. The referee was certainly wrong in barring you out of the competition. If you or he—either one—had kept track of the road races in this part of the country you would have seen Class A and B men competed together in all of them. Take the great R. Q. T. road race run in Toronto, nearly evry prominent racing man of both classes took part..

Yours Truly,

H. B. DONLY.

ZIM WANTED TOO MUCH.

New York, Dec. 9.—The Melbourne correspondent of the American Wheelman cabled that paper to-day that the great Australian wheel race, the blue ribbon event of the year, was won by Chrisp, of Tasmania, the dark horse road rider. This is the race that Zimmerman was imported to ride in, but at the last moment he was scratched. It is given as the reason that his demands were exorbitant and the committee refused to concede to them. His entry had been made and accepted for this event, but he wanted a bonus besides, which was refused. This move, it is said, has made the American very unpopular among the Australians.

CHESS.

The handicap tournament held by the Victoria Chess Club opened on Saturday evening. The entries are as follow: Class I.—B. Williams, C. Schwengers; class II.—P. T. Johnston, B. Schwengers; class III.—R. H. Johnston, Captain Michell; class IV.—B. Goward, T. Lawrie, W. Scowcroft, J. Earsman, C. E. Clarke, P. Goepel; class V.—J. Ayton; class VI.—P. Wollaston, J. S. Floyd, H. Kemp. The results of the games played are as follows: C. E. Clarke won from P. T. Johnston, B. Williams won from P. T. Johnston, B. Schwengers won from P. Wollaston, and C. Schwengers won from P. Wollaston. The tournament will continue during this week.

Wonderful Bargains

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—A meeting of the executive of the local Council of Women was held in the committee room at the city hall this afternoon. Mrs. A. H. Scaife presented a report dealing with the dissemination of impure literature among the youth of the province. At four o'clock the meeting was considering nominations for lady school trustees.

—Some time ago a 16 bore shotgun was stolen from a barn on Gorge road, where Mr. A. Bechtel stores his sealing implements. The gun has been located in a store, having been sold. It is believed that the man who sold it bought it from some boys.

—At this evening's meeting of the council the petition to make the office of fire chief elective will be considered. According to the municipal act the most the council can do in the matter is to request the legislature to change the law.

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Be worn short enough to show the tail of your dress coat, it shows that your overcoat is a top coat, that you own, or have been able to borrow enough money to rent a dress coat, and that you think "you're right in it." That's ultra swell. If your overcoat is so long that you have to grasp it by the bustle to keep the skirt out of the mud when you cross a mud spot, you've got a last year's coat, for they should not
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Many Lines Are Being Further Reduced During This Week.
We have received a lot of manufacturers' samples of Umbrellas, no two alike. These were purchased at 35 per cent. off regular price, and we shall give you the benefit. These are suitable for Christmas presents.
OUR TABLE LINENS
Are fine in texture, beautiful in design, and low in price. Unbleached Table Linen from 20c to 60c per yard. Bleached Table Linen from 40c to $1.00 per yard.
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We shall continue at the reduced prices: 70c, 90c and $1.15. Laced or patent fastening. This is most unusual, as we always expect to sell a large quantity of these useful articles, as it is a most suitable present for a gentleman to give a lady.
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ENTIRELY NEW LIGHT

Thrown on Cuban Campaign Events by Uncooked and Unofficial Reports.

Insurgents Marching on Towards Campos' Headquarters in Santa Clara.

London, Dec. 9.—The Daily News today publishes a letter from an American missionary at Marsovan, which gives details of the recent massacres there. Among other statements, the writer says:

"The storm broke over Marsovan at noon on the 15th. On an alarm that a mosque had been attacked by the Armenians the Turks at once made an onslaught on the market, where they seem to have slaughtered the Armenians right and left, while others attacked and looted the private houses. This bloody work began near our premises; we could hear the storm of yells and shrieks, mingled with pistol and musket shots, and fierce battering at doors, and especially on the side nearest the girls' boarding school. Pandemonium reigned until it had spent itself there, and then surged to richer fields, nearer the markets. Bullets came humming over and struck the girls' school. Finally the firing grew more distant.

"We had two Circassians on the premises who did good service. We sent them to communicate with the Caimakan, whom they found patrolling the city and checking bloodshed. He said he had already sent soldiers to surround our premises. They were soon perceived in squads outside the walls, and allowed no raid on our grounds. Towards night Camaikan himself came and brought us a guard of twenty-five men, who remained on the premises all night long. Their assurances were very fair, and God grant they may remain faithful, and that the mass of helpless girls, pupils in the school, now huddled together in our houses, may be spared. Aside from the fear of what might happen on our premises, the feeling of helplessness to do anything to check such horrible work is most distracting. One poor woman lay in the street, where she was struck down, from noon until night, just a few yards from the postern gate of our grounds. We could see her through the cracks, but were unable to reach or aid her."

Havana, Dec. 9.—In spite of the reported defeats of Maximo Gomez and Antonio Maceo by the Spanish Generals Valdez, Narraro, and Aldeco, it is now stated that Gomez and Maceo have united their forces, and instead of retreating, are advancing through the province of Santa Clara, and that they have already passed the road from Iguara, on the frontier, to Taguasco, a little north of Santo Sspiritu. This news would seem to be correct if only from the fact that the column of troops commanded by Col. Segnara, consisting of 200 mules loaded with ammunition and provisions seem to have had a brush with the enemy near Iguara, the result of which was to drive the Spaniards into Iguara, with the loss, it is claimed, of only nine killed. But it is admitted that the Spanish troops had to fight desperately to escape being captured, and soon afterwards the insurgents were divided into two corps, one marching northward in the direction of Remedios district; and the other heading southward towards the Trinidad district. From this it would seem that the Spaniards have either evacuated Santo Espiritu or else their forces there are so small that the insurgent leaders have no hesitation in leaving them in their rear. It may, however, be reinforced later by the column commanded by Aladavo.

These movements of the insurgents throw an entirely new light upon the campaign in Cuba, and, if correctly reported, would indicate that the Spaniards have been utterly unable to prevent the advance of the enemy from the province of Puerto Principe into the province of Santa Clara, and that the combined armies of Gomez and Maceo were strong enough to enable them to be divided into two corps, which were advancing into the heart of the district where Captain General Martinez de Campos has made his headquarters, and where 40,000 Spanish troops are reported to have assembled. This view of the case is all the more noteworthy from the fact that only this morning it was officially stated here that the friends of the insurgents, who expected Gomez and Maceo to move rapidly into the province of Santa Clara, and later upon the province of Mantanzas, which would bring them dangerously near Havana, had been disappointed at their failure to do so, and the reported defeats of the insurgents, classed as having been due to their shameful and cowardly behaviour" were said to have demoralized them; and it was stated further that the Spanish officials consider the rebellion to be morally broken. These rapid movements of the insurgents, which their friends hoped they would accomplish, before the arrival of reinforcements of troops, now seem to have actually taken place and therefore, the rebellion, instead of being broken, looks as if it were making rapid progress, in spite of all the efforts of the Spanish government. Indeed, only this morning, the supporters of the government were so hopeful that it was announced that they were expected to be able to reap a good sugar crop, and that many of the planters, in view of recent events, were preparing for grinding their sugar cane. At the same it was admitted the arrival of reinforcements was impatiently awaited, and when the steamer Montevideo arrived from Spain to-day, with the Cantabria and Bailon battalions, the soldiers were accorded a most enthusiastic welcome.

This is the situation in a nutshell: the insurgents, according to the report received here this afternoon, and having practically official confirmation, appear to be in Santa Clara, where it may be said nearly the entire effective Spanish force is concentrated. It is startling news, in conflict with government advices, given out earlier in the day to the effect that the insurgents were in retreat through the province of Puerto Principe. The reported advance of the two columns under Maceo and Gomez into Santa Clara and the defeat of the Spanish troops near Iguara, has caused much excitement in Havana to-night.

The leaders Quintine and Randeras, are now at the head of their forces and are marching in the direction of the district of Trinidad. Lord Winston, Lord Churchill and the English officers, who accompanied him during his tour through Cuba for the purpose of witnessing the operations of the Spanish and Cuban forces, sailed from this port on the Olivette. Lord Churchill, who is a son of the late Lord Randolph Churchill, is an officer in the English army. He expressed satisfaction with the results of his visit to the interior of Cuba. General de Campos has just finished reviewing the Spanish battalions. He will leave to-morrow for the province of Santa Clara.

Madrid, Dec. 9.—The minister of finance, Senor Navarro Reverter, and the bank of Spain, have agreed to prolong the treasury bonds for six months on the existing terms.

THE PILOTS' RASH VENTURE.

Leave Their Boat in a Small Punt During a Terrific Gale.

Liverpool, Dec. 9.—While pilot boat No. 5 was attempting to put a pilot on board the British steamer Cambroman, Captain Jones, from Boston, Nov. 27, for this port, off Point Lynas at five o'clock this morning, she was struck amidships and badly damaged. Sixteen of the pilots on board became so alarmed that they took the small boat and got adrift in a terrific gale which was blowing at the time. Nothing has since been heard of the boat or its occupants, and it is feared all have been lost. A tugboat afterwards picked up the pilot boat. The captain of the Cambroman says that a big wave threw the steamer and the pilot boat into violent contact, that three of the pilots jumped on board the Cambroman and the remainder jumped into a punt and disappeared, as already stated. The Cambroman cruised about the vicinity where the punt was last seen for five hours afterwards, but no signs of the small craft were discovered, and it is believed that she was swamped almost immediately after leaving the side of the pilot boat.

A REASONABLE VIEW OF IT.

The Facts of that Mail Contract Are Not Yet Understood.

Chicago, Dec. 9.—A special from Washington, D. C., says: The announcement that the Canadian postal department has let a contract for the carrying of mails from Juneau, Alaska, to Forty-Mile Creek, on the Yukon river, has not disturbed officials in the postoffice department. The action is believed to signify a desire to put through a purely mail connection with the remote gold fields. It is yet uncertain whether the mouth of Forty-Mile Creek is in the territory of the United States or British Columbia. In any event, almost all the trail from Juneau to the Yukon gold fields passes over Canadian territory. The provincial postoffice authorities would naturally control it, although both the terminals are in Alaska. At the state department no apprehension is felt that the establishment of this route will complicate matters, there being a tacit understanding that along all the wild and undetermined northwestern boundary all postal, police, customs and military authority will be exercised by both countries for the common interest.

THE FREIGHT WAR CONTINUES.

Southern Pacific Again Makes Alterations in Rates.

San Francisco, Dec. 9.—The Southern Pacific railway company made another important move in its fight against the O. R. & N. company on business between here and Portland to-day. It has altered its freight rates on shipments from Portland and Albany, Ore., to San Francisco on ten different classes of freight. By this new departure rates from Oregon to California will be higher than from San Francisco. The tariff here to Portland and Albany will be 12½c per hundred pounds for the first four classes of freight, and ten cents for the remaining six classes. From Portland and Albany to this city the rate will be 40 cents per 100 pounds on the first three classes, 35 cents on the fourth class, 30 cents on the fifth and sixth classes, and 25 cents on the seventh and eighth, and 20 cents on the ninth and tenth classes.

The arrival of General Passenger Agent Hurlburt, of the navigation company, from Portland to-day gave rise to a rumor that he had come here to confer with the Southern Pacific about settling the present passenger rates. He denied the rumor, and said that his company, as far as he knew, was not seeking any conference with the Southern Pacific company.

—Major C. T. Picton is manager of the State hotel, at Denison, Texas, which the travelling men say is one of the best hotels in that section. In speaking of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea remedy, Major Picton says: "I have used it myself and in my family for several years, and take pleasure in saying that I consider it an infallible cure for diarrhoea and dysentery. I always recommend it, and have frequently administered it to my guests in the hotel, and in every case it has proven itself worthy of unqualified endorsement. For sale by all druggists. Langley & Co., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

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COMMUNICATIONS

THE SMALL DEBTS COURT.

To the Editor:—I think perhaps too little attention has been paid to the decision of Justice Crease re "The Small Debts Court." By it, he in effect declares the present incumbents of the office as acting without the authority necessary from the crown, that is, the Dominion government. Doubtless the learned judge has given his decision after considerable care and investigation of the subject.

I am sure that all persons of the mercantile community will greatly regret this decision, because unless some further steps are taken the result will be that this simple and expeditious method of recovering debts will be swept away. In my judgment this act of the local legislature was the most praiseworthy and useful of its existence. In effect it enabled any person without professional assistance to sue and recover debt at a very small cost to the parties concerned. Nominally the county court is supposed to do this; really the county court is both expensive, tedious and technical, so much so that the mercantile community often prefer to suffer the loss of their debt rather than seek redress through its means. It is to be hoped that the board of trade will at once take up the matter and urge upon the members of the city for the Dominion house, and the members of the local legislature, the necessity for giving these courts a constitutional status. Two methods appear open to both houses: First, that the attorney-general for the province test the decision of Judge Crease by way of appeal to the supreme court; and, second, that the crown cause at once to be appointed with full powers in these courts the magistrate who have already acted in such capacity, making also their appointments retroactive.

Meanwhile the citizens of this and other cities might and should show their appreciation of the importance of this matter by vigorously urging both Dominion and local legislatures to take immediate action.

I am credibly informed that over 500 plaints have been issued in the Victoria small debts court—the great majority of which have recovered their debts, while the moral influence of such a court probably covers twice as many debts as are actually dealt with.

WM. MARCHANT.

Victoria, Dec. 9.

ELECTION OF CHIEF ENGINEER.

To the Editor:—I do not propose to answer the letters that have been published concerning the election of chief engineer of the fire department, but will allow the petition to speak for itself; it is signed by a large majority of the business men of the city who believe it would be in the interest of the city and for the better government of the fire department to have the chief engineer elected by the people; in other words, to give the citizens who maintain the department the privilege of choosing the chief. Mr. Deasy was elected by the people some years ago, and why not give them the privilege of electing him again if he suits them. If he has the confidence of the people they will return him to the position he holds at the present time; if he has not their confidence they can elect one who has. No man ever held a position who could not be replaced, and we believe a man elected by the people will attend to his duty better than one who has a permanent position. The council is elected to legislate for the people, and the petition is unmistakable proof of the wishes of the people. The petition bears 1041 signatures, which is 63 more than half the total vote for last year, and I believe every person who signed is qualified to vote.

G CAMPBELL.

None But Ayer's at the World's Fair.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla enjoys the extraordinary distinction of having been the only blood purifier allowed on exhibit at the World's Fair, Chicago. Manufacturers of other sarsaparillas sought by every means to obtain a showing of their goods, but they were all turned away under the application of the rule forbidding the entry of patent medicines and nostrums. The decision of the World's Fair authorities in favor of Ayer's Sarsaparilla was in effect as follows: Ayer's Sarsaparilla is not a patent medicine. It does not belong to the list of nostrums. It is here on its merits."

LOBBYING IS FORBIDDEN.

Postoffice Employes Admonished To Mind Their Business.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 9.—An important order was issued by Postmaster-General Wilson, directed against the organization of postoffice employes to secure legislative action. Reports have been current for a comparatively long period that employes of various classes were combining and pooling funds to furnish the expenses of committees or other representatives sent to appear before congressional committees in behalf of legislation. This action is now practically prohibited and a penalty of removal imposed by to-day's order, which is as follows:

"Ordered, that hereafter no postmaster, postal clerk, letter carrier, railway postal clerk, or other postal employe, shall visit Washington, whether on leave or without pay, for the purpose of influencing legislation before congress.

"Any such employe of the postal service who violates this order shall be liable to removal.

"Postmasters and other employes of the postal service are paid by the government for attending to the respective duties assigned them, which do not include efforts to secure legislation. That duty is assigned to the representatives of the people, elected for that purpose.

"If bills are introduced in either branch of congress affecting the postal service, upon which any information or recommendation is desired, I am ready at all times to submit such to the proper committees."

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Mortgage Sale.

I have received instructions to sell by public auction, the following properties, under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in the several mortgages, on

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10TH, 1895,

At 12 O'CLOCK, NOON.

At Salesroom, Bastion Street:

Victoria City Property.

Lots 67, 68, 69, 70, Block V., Second St., Hillside Extension of the Work Estate, together with the four two-storey buildings thereon. This property will be sold in five parcels.

Lots 7, 8, 9, 10, Hillside Extension, Block A of the Work Estate, fronting on First and Market streets.

Fernwood Estate.

Lot 51 of Subdivision Lot 69, 50 X 135, together with improvements.

Lots 1 and 2, Block B,

Of the Finlayson Estate, corner of Douglas street and Queen's Ave. Size of property 100 X 100 feet; together with the improvements thereon which comprise the two storey frame building known as the

Leland House.

Having 16 rooms.

Lot 1299, Block 46.

Having two frontages, one an Erie street of 120 feet and the other of 120 feet on Victoria Harbor, together with the improvements thereon, comprising a mill building.

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Lots 1714, 1715, 1740, 1749, each having a frontage of 66 feet by a depth of 165, the whole comprising one acre, having two frontages of 132 feet each on Superior and Michigan streets, by a depth of 330 feet, together with the two storey family residence, having well laid out grounds.

Lake District.

Section 88, fronting on Prospect Lake, containing 94 acres.

Catalogues with maps containing fuller descriptions, terms and conditions of sale will be distributed through the Times and Colonist at an early date, and can also be had by applying to MESSRS. McPHILLIPS, WOOTTON & BARNARD, Solicitors for the Mortgagees, or to

JOSHUA DAVIES,
Auctioneer.

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AUCTIONEER.

Underwriters' Sale.

BY ORDER OF LLOYD'S AGENT,

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FRIDAY, DEC. 13th, 1895.

I will sell by order of Messrs. R. P. Rithet & Co., Limited, for account of whom it may concern,

Stores from Sealers

Comprising Sugar, Coffee, Rice, Pilot Bread, Baking Powder, Canned Salmon, Fruit, Meats, Oatmeal, Corn Starch, Beans, Dried Apples, Butter, Soap, Matches, and a quantity of Eastern Codfish; also a

Consignment of Cigars

Account Underwriters,

23,500 in boxes of 50 each, comprising the following brands: Pride of B. C., The Rose, Idela, Victoria Special, Domestic.

For account of whom it may concern, ex British bark Silverhow, J. Dougall, master, from Liverpool, marked and numbered F. & Co., numbers 22, 23, 25, 26, and 27, five cases Keeler's Marmalade in jars.

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Terms Cash. Auctioneer.

The ex-Empress Frederick of Germany, in her early married life, embroidered a piece of tapestry, on which all her children knelt when confirmed; the late Emperor's coffin rested upon it; the present German Emperor, and the Princesses Charlotte, Sophia and Victoria were married standing on it.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

KAMLOOPS.

Inland Sentinel.

The directors of the Kamloops Agricultural Society held a meeting on Saturday, at which H. Bostock presided, to settle accounts for the recent exhibition. All prizes to those not officers were paid in full, while the directors received 20 per cent. of their prize money.

An English party are taking a bond on three properties on Gold Hill, Illecillewaet. They will do more work during the coming three months. Before the fall in silver considerable work was done on these properties, which carry silver, lead and gold in a vein of from six to ten feet.

A case of premeditated suicide occurred near the Kault mills on November 28th. The deceased, who gave the name of T. D. Adams, came to Genelle's saw mill about a month ago. He was given employment and sent into the bush. He was quiet in demeanor and worked steadily. The only peculiarity about him that was noticed was that he was very anxious to get the latest newspapers. On Thursday morning week he went to the house of another workman and borrowed a rifle, saying that he had seen a bear or deer near the railway track. It was given him, and also a piece of string, which he had asked for, and he set off, not to be seen again alive. He had gone about a mile up the hill, rested the rifle on the stump of a tree, and lashed it to a sapling, then fastened the string to the trigger and passed it around the sapling, holding it in his hand, while he seated himself on a log in front of the muzzle. He then pulled the trigger, the bullet entering the forehead and passing through to the back, making a hole through his head about the size of the muzzle. Death must have been instantaneous. As he did not return that night a party set out on Friday to look for him. There was about four inches of snow on the ground, so that his tracks were easily followed, and soon the dead body was found. Adams had told no one of his antecedents, nor were any papers found among his belongings, except a piece of notepaper, whereon a letter had been begun, dated from Nanaimo. He had also been heard to speak of that place.

NEW DENVER

The Ledge.

N. Demers is striking it rich on a claim known as the Promoster. They are driving a tunnel, and the claim is gradually widening out. The ore is high grade, and good things are anticipated.

The Exchange boys are progressing finely. Their pay streak is enlarging and value increasing. This property is showing remarkably well.

The owners of the Howard Fraction, on Lemon, known as the Kalipell Co., having prepared winter quarters and supplies, have gone to work for the winter.

The Kalispell, on Ten Mile creek, is now being worked, six men being employed. The ore body is improving in quality and quantity as depth is attained.

In seven days last week eight men had been taken on at the Reco and eight discharged. The mine is looking particularly good, and with a few more changes will be one of the best in the country.

The Currie, on the Galena Farm, is showing up very well. A drift has been run from the shaft at a depth of 50 feet, cross cutting the ledge. A fine ore body has been found at that depth. This is likely to become a property of great value.

The K. & S. train ran off the track above Three Forks on Friday last, but fortunately no one was seriously hurt. One man had his neck wrenched a little. The passengers all came down to Three Forks and remained over night. The train was held on the track by a car or two of ore at the rear end, otherwise great damage might have been done, for nothing could have saved the engine and cars from running down the hill to Three Forks. It was got safely back on Saturday.

Last Friday a tree felled by D. McKenzie, who is employed cutting saw logs on the hill above Sandon, by some means fell down the hill instead of sideways, as was intended, and started down the hill at tremendous speed, going over the K. & S. railway track and down into Sandon, striking the building occupied by J. McDonald, fruit and tobacco store. It went through the back of it, entering where three men were seated at a table, smashing a box stove to pieces and pinioning Mr. Humpton's leg fast, but he was at once released, and has since been confined to bed. We have not heard as yet the exact injury received, but it is reported not serious. The other men were unhurt. D. McKenzie then cut the tree into lengths, and one of the logs when cut loose away up the hill rolled down and entered the end of the same building, smashing things up generally.

WELLINGTON.

(From our own correspondent.)

Wellington, Dec. 9.—On Friday last a reception was held in the Foresters' hall by Mr. and Mrs. Griffith, who were married on Monday, the 4th inst. Mrs. Griffith was Miss Magdalene Pringle.

At the first annual meeting of the Wellington district Horticultural, Agricultural and Industrial Society the following were the officers appointed: Hon. Presidents, James Dunsmuir and John Bryden; President, Rev. E. C. Cooper, M. A.; Vice-Presidents, Rev. T. H. Rogers, B. A.; Andrew Bryden, and D. W. Eberts, M. D.; Secretary, Captain H. A. Dillon; Treasurer, Thos. E. Bate.

We are much pleased to see on our streets again R. D. R. Ramsay, of the Enterprise, who has been on an extensive tour through the Alberni district.

On Wednesday last the Wellington lodge, I. O. G. T., paid a fraternal visit to Onward lodge, of Nanaimo.

A lodge of the Free Gardeners is about to be organized here. We should like to hear of any other place in the universe having so many lodges in proportion to the population.

On Wednesday evening, while coming down stairs, Mrs. Davis, of the Portland hotel, slipped and fell to the bottom, suffering injuries which will lay her up for some time.

Miss Powell, of Nanaimo, has been engaged by Messrs. Jones & Co. as book-keeper.

Mr. Murdock and Miss Anderson, of Northfield, were married on Saturday last.

The drug store of Mr. Grant Jessup is gradually getting into a proper condition for doing business.

Our genial photographer, Mr. Uren, opened his new studio on the 4th inst. Mr. Uren has fitted up his new studio in modern style, and will in future be able to do work unexcelled by any artist.

On Wednesday next two of our most estimable ladies, Mrs. J. B. L. Jones and Miss Bertha Worth, will take leave of their many friends. The former goes to Chicago to visit relatives and will be absent six months or more. The latter will take up her residence with her sister in Manitoba. They will be much missed in church work.

Captain John Dillon has removed his law office from its old stand to one of the large stores in Foresters' hall.

TRAIL CREEK.

What A. E. Glashen of Spokane Thinks of the District.

A. E. Glashen, of Spokane, an owner in the gold mines of Trail Creek, and who has examined considerably into the silver-lead properties of the Slocan and Boundary creek countries, is in the city, says the San Fracisco Call. Mr. Glashen says there is a great deal of interest in mining in these sections, as well as in California.

The general belief is, he says, that much more interest will hereafter be given to the silver and gold interests. The change in sentiment has been caused by the hard times, which necessitated the development of the new regions.

Mr. Glashen says there has been a heavy wheat crop throughout Eastern Washington, especially in the Palouse country, but that prices have been very low. Altogether, though, prosperity is increasing. The people are of a more cheerful mind, and the outlook is favorable.

"From Trail Creek," said he, "regular shipments of mineral are now being made. There are two or three big mines there that are now outputting a large amount of rich gold ore. A couple of other properties there are being developed by large forces of men, the object being when the ore is properly blocked out to ship it in large quantities."

WELDING BY WATER.

A Process That Promises To Do Great Things in Quartz Mining.

Some months ago it was mentioned in the Inland Sentinel that a process had been discovered by which iron could be heated with the aid of electricity by merely immersing it in water. This was then a laboratory process, but since the experiment has been turned to practical account in such a way as is likely to make it of general use wherever the electric current can be obtained. The same process has been adopted to reducing refractory ores with a success that promises to revolutionize many smelting processes.

The experiment was successfully performed at the electric light power house on Wednesday evening by L. H. Dennis, now engaged in putting up the city electric system, who is an agent of the Canadian Electric Forge and Smelting Co., of Toronto. The forge consists of a vat of water, at the bottom of which lies a leaden pipe supplied with a positive current of electricity from one of the dynamos of the electric light works. The negative wire is connected with a bar across the side of the vat, isolated from the sides, and upon it the iron tongs holding the object to be heated or the bar of iron rests. Contact between the negative pole and the positive through the iron tongs and the water produces the heat, which is varied by the voltage of the current used. There was not a very strong current in use on Wednesday night, but files were heated to welding heat without difficulty and in no very great length of time. As the heat is produced by the combustion of the hydrogen of the water, no scale forms on the iron, while any sulphur in it is driven off, thus making a better weld possible, while the iron is purified. This was the least remarkable part of the experiment. A piece of lead ore was then held in the tongs and immersed in the water, in which proper fluxes had been dissolved, and the result was that the lead was deposited in globules. Pieces of refractory copper ore were then tried, and the rock was sublimed, leaving native copper appearing on the parts of rock left. A less intense heat would deposit silver and a greater gold, should such be in the ore.

The quantity of electric current consumed is comparatively small. To prepare a horseshoe with coal at $5 a ton ordinarily consumes 5.58 cents worth of coal—by the electric forge, with current at 15 cents per thousand watt hours, it would be 2.32 cents. William Patterson, of Niagara Falls, New York, was one of the first to use the new process in his general blacksmithing.

The process has been shown to be one of great assistance in smelting, especially that of refractory ores, and George D. Barton, head of the company which owns the patent, has conducted very successful experiments at San Francisco, reducing the cost of smelting to a very great degree. In one experiment a ton of good refractory ore was placed in a crucible of fire clay with a perforated bottom, through which the water, in which the bottom was immersed, could rise to meet the negative electric pole. The ore treated with the electric process and the fluxes dissolved in the water were refined in forty minutes, and a larger percentage of metal obtained than by the usual process, at a very small fraction of the cost. Where water power can be obtained to operate the electric generator the reduction of ores by the Barton process will be reduced to such cost that very low grade ores can be treated profitably.—Inland Sentinel.

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A DULL STOCK MARKET.

It Will Remain So Till Things Settle Down Again.

New York, Dec. 9.—The stock market Saturday opened active and weak. The leading industrials displayed considerable weakness at the start. Concessions in the railway list were slight. Soon after the opening a smart rally occurred. Speculation closed active and weak. The aggregate sales were $186,900. The industrials were also the feature of the week's speculation.

The President's message had no important effect upon prices, and the restoration of the dividend on North West common stock to a 5 per cent. anual basis only excited passing influence. Reports of earnings of some of the trading lines, which came to hand were somewhat disappointing. Uncertainty as to prospective financial legislation, the continued gold exports and steady selling of our securities, for foreign account, all contribute to check improvemet in the stock prices.

New York, Dec. 9.—Exports of specie from the port of New York for the past week amounted to $3,183,487 in gold and $1,085,805 in silver. The imports were: Gold, $29,644; silver, $66,112; dry goods, $2,587,916; general merchandise, $8,364,980.

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PASSENGERS.

Per City of Kingston from the Sound—Jos Nixon and wife, Miss Green, Miss H C McDonald, Mrs Capt Munn, Mrs Sutton, J D Brown.

Per steamer Charmer from Vancouver—(Saturday) Chief Justice Davie, Justice McCreight, E H Fletcher, Capt Jones, W A Ward, J H Todd, D R Ker, D A Campbell, H J Brady, J Holland, G W Haynes, Mrs Haynes, J McNamara, W Marchant, W A Somerset, Arthur Anderson, J S Tisey, H Warren, C Hansen, Mrs Hansen, Master Hansen, Mrs Johnston, Prof Odlum, E Hunt, C J Hunt, W F Scovell, Norman Shaw, Mrs Shaw, Sarah P Sargent.

Per steamer Rosalie from the Sound—A Cunningham and wife, Miss Coldwell, H Smith, J H Gray, D Boyd, Mrs Scully, J P Bofns, J C Ellson, A Taylor, H Anderson, H Crocker, W A Stevens, Wm Benson, S M Leigh, F Anderson, A J Fungus, E Klinger.

Per City of Kingston from the Sound—(Sunday) Mrs Bradbury, Miss Bradbury, W H Ellis, Mrs Verdon, Mr L Bradbury, P McGuire, Mrs Woolrich, H W Falk, W Spence.

Per steamer Sehome from the Sound—J S McDonald, W Simpson, N M Beer, F Williams, Miss Wartin, C S Reddick, Miss Wilsie, W A Lawson, Miss Campbell, Miss Kahn, Miss Fleming, Jas Foster, A McGregor, W McConnell, Miss Martin, R J Ker, A S Berryhill, F J Smeckleford, W McQuade, Jno Doe, A R Lang, S Steel, Judge Hughitt, J S Wishart, E N Laxier, C E Dickinson, Mrs Mallory, T E Willett, Geo Clark and wife, C Williams, B S Lorren and wife, S D Wilsie, Jas La Rode and wife, F H Kain.

Per steamer Charmer from Vancouver—(Sunday) R S Norton, R Walbey, Hamilton Abbott, D J Munn, Chas Wilson, B H Johns, Mr. Askew, A Morrison, E Waterman, A C McDougall, A D Hossack, W R Puckett, G F Watson, E Preston, Miss Abbott, J B Gordon, F B Davies, Geo Powell, W Collier, C Mitchell, F B Boucher, C A Lott, C M Millar, C Fairall, N P Snowden, Edward Cross, F B Ward, A J McColl, J H Brownlee, Geo McFarland, J Colcutt, W Waterman, P A Linklater, H McCartney, Miss Cummings.

CONSIGNEES.

Per City of Kingston from the Sound—Braid Kelly & Co, Hickman Tye Hardware Co, F W Fletcher, McLennan & McFeeley, Sere & Co, Sayward Mill Co, Jos Sears, Erskine Wall & Co, Fell & Co, Wilson Bros, H B Co, Simon Leiser, F M T Kelly.

Per steamer Charmer from Vancouver—(Saturday) A H B McGowan, Hudson Bay Imperial Oil Co, Dept of Agriculture, C & Pearson, E J Saunders, Fell & Co, Geo Hicks, H A Lilley, H J Brady, J A Montgomery, J C Voss, Jas Phair, J Meston, M R Smith, Ramsay Bros, R W Higginbottom, Sutton Lumber Co, Vic Elec Ry Co, Wm Thompson, Wood & Orr, Dom Ex Co.

Per steamer Sehome from the Sound—Simon Leiser, Weiler Bros, Lowenburg & Co, Hibben & Co, Langley & Co, R F Anderson, Braid & Kelly, E Pimbury & Co, E C Prior & Co, G Everton, M W Waitt, M Marks, Sam Matson, Hastings Mill Store, McLennan & McF, R P Rithet, M Cohen, N W Gas Co, A Taylor, Brackman & K.

Per steamer Rosalie from the Sound—J H Todd, Wilson Bros, Hudson Bay Co, Great Northern Express.

Per steamer Charmer from Vancouver—(Sunday) Geo Carter, W J Tippins, Lenz & Leiser, Lowenburg & Co, Naval Storekeeper, W Bed, Mrs R Janion, McMillan & H, M Cohen, Weiler Bros, J Piercy, C L Cullin, Chas Hatch, Martin & R, A McGregor, R P Rithet, E J Salmon, R Kenny, E G Prior, W G McKenzie, R Maynard, R R McMillan, P McQuade, Chas Hayward, On Hing Bros, J W Creighton, D Spencer, H Clarke, J Hutcheson, G R Jackson, Ames Holden Co, E G Prior & Co, Ell Harrison, Fell & Co, G A Richardson, Thos Bros & Grant, A B Erskine, T B Pearson, R E Cooper, Marvin & Tilton, C Braund, S A Stewart, G & McC, Langley & Co, J Maynard, H Mansell, S Leiser, T Haughton, Turner B & Co, C Cookson, Wood & Orr, Johns Bros, A & W Wilson, S Shore, Clarke & P, R A Brown, S Reid, Mrs W C Lyall, A W Jones, W W Northcott, Vic Chemical Wks, F R Stewart, J Thompson, James Argus, J Colben, Phoenix Brew Co, W Lough, Wm Bowness, Dom Ex Co.

Per City of Puebla from San Francisco—Brackman & Ker, B C Market Co, D H Ross & Co, E G Prior & Co, Erskine Wall & Co, Fell & Co, F R Stewart, G R Jackson, Hamilton Powder Co, Henry Clay, Hop Lung, J & A Clearihue, J A Ritchie, Jno Barnsley & Co, Langley & Co, P McQuade & Son, R P Rithet & Co, Shallcross & Macaulay, Simon Leiser & Co, Thomas Bros & Grant, Thos Earle, Turner Beeton & Co, Vic Phoe Brew Co, Wilson Bros, W Jackson & Co, F B Millet, A R Johnston & Co, G W Bulloncelli, James McGregor, J S Stannard, Kwong Lung & Co, W Nelson, C S Phillip, F R Stewart, McMillan & H, Stuart & Co, Winch & Bowser, B Cantillo, F Rossi, Ins Co of N America, Mrs Monette, P McQuade & Son, Prior & Leiser, Wells Fargo Ex Co.

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TILTON'S HYPNOTIC POWER.

A Queer Story in Regard to the Beecher Scandal.

Thomas G. Sherman, who was Henry Ward Beecher's most devoted friend and attorney in the famous Brooklyn trial twenty years ago, says that the modern discoveries in hypnotism fully clear up the mysteries in that cause celebre. No one could account at the time for Mrs. Tilton's contradictory statements. She first asserted Beecher's innocence and her own. Then after the trial was over she signed a confession of guilt. A little later she declared that the confession was false. Sherman says that she was a hypnotic subject, under the complete control of her husband, and that she acted just as Prof. Charcot's subjects do in Paris. Her explanation of her conduct on certain occasions was in the precise language used by Charcot's sensitives. She said she felt that she must do as she did; she could not help herself. She would turn pale and tremble at the sight of Tilton. On one occasion, when she caught a glimpse of him across a crowded street without having attracted his attention, she would have sunk to the ground had she not been supported by her friends who were walking with her. Tilton used to try experiments with her by willing her to do certain acts at a certain hour when he was absent from the house, and proving to the amazement of friends that she had done precisely what he had said she would do.

On one occasion, when visiting another city, he discussed with his incredulous host the curious power which he claimed to possess over his wife, and which he called magnetic influence. The host proposed to make a test then and there. Mrs. Tilton was at her home in Brooklyn. The skeptical host himself selected the test. It was that Mrs. Tilton should leave her room, to which it was supposed she had already retired, at that hour, go down to the library and select a certain book and return with it to her room. Tilton was able to prove to his host's satisfaction afterwards that Mrs. Tilton had obeyed the commend that he sent to her by what the scientists now call telepathy, or thought transference. After the Tiltons had separated their son injudiciously sought to reconcile his parents and brought Tilton to the house without his mother's consent. Once alone with her, Tilton easily compelled her to sign the confession which she afterwards repudiated. She was intellectually and morally helpless in his hands, just as the hypnotic subjects of to-day are in the hands of expert operators. After the trial, Tilton made $50,000 lecturing, but when the public curiosity to see the man was satiated his audiences became so small that he was forced to abandon the platform. He has lived in Paris for many years, supported by a wealthy woman, who has frequently sent money to relieve Mrs. Tilton's necessities. Mrs. Tilton keeps a boarding house in Brooklyn.—Chicago Times-Herald.

—Some very pretty things in fruit dishes, epergnes, flower tubes, etc., at Weiler Bros.

A splendid white marble swimming bath is now being constructed in the palace at St. Petersburg, of which the length is to be forty feet, the width twenty-nine feet and the depth nine feet. It is designed for the special use of the young Empress of Russia, who is an enthusiastic swimmer.

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By order,

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
C.M.O.

Victoria, B.C., March 20th, 1895.

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The above reward is hereby offered for such information as shall lead to the arrest and conviction of any person or persons tampering or interfering in any way with any manhole, ventilator, flush tank, or other part of the sewerage system of the City of Victoria, or causing any impediment or obstruction to the proper and effective operation of any portion of the said system, except when acting under instructions from the City Engineer or Sanitary Officer.

By order,

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
C. M. O.

Victoria, B.C., August 1st, 1895.

Notice.

Belleville Street, between McClure Street and Birdcage Walk, is closed to Public Traffic.

E. A. WILMOT,
City Engineer.

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THE STRATHNEVIS.

A Trio of Steamers Leave Victoria Yesterday to Look for the Disabled Vessel.

Empress of China Sails for the Orient This Evening—Day's Shipping News.

Three steamers which left Victoria yesterday will endeavor to find the N. P. R. steamship Strathnevis, which is floating around the Pacific with her propeller shaft broken. The collier Costa Rica, which arrived from Comox yesterday with coal for San Francisco, received orders to spend two days in looking for the disabled steamer. The Tacoma, of the N. P. R. line, which left at 6.30 last evening for the Orient, will keep on her regular course, it being believed that if possible Captain Pattie, of the Strathnevis, will keep in the course of the regular steamers in the hope of being picked up by them. On the other hand, Captain John Irving, of the C. P. N. company, believes the steamer has been taken up towards Queen Charlotte Island by the current, and he has gone there with the Danube. Most marine men believe Captain Irving's theory is right, and they expect to see the Danube come back with the big freighter. The Danube has on board a large amount of coal, having recently loaded a cargo at Comox, so that she will have lots of fuel to tow the Strathnevis to port.

Admiral Stephenson was on Saturday asked to send one of H. M. ships out to find the steamer, but he did not have one available, and did not think it advisable to send the flagship, the position of the Strathnevis being so uncertain.

Both Victoria and Puget Sound tugs will keep a close watch off Cape Flattery and the west coast of the Island in the hope of sharing the salvage with some vessel that, having the Strathnevis in tow, finds the job too difficult a one.

Steamship Transit, of the Puget Sound and Central American steamship line, was reported to have passed Tatoosh, bound in yesterday, for Seattle, which would make her about on time. She will be given quick dispatch and will start on a second voyage within a few days.

The steamer Staffa is discharging a cargo of Fraser river hay at Spratt's wharf.

The steamer City of Puebla arrived yesterday from San Francisco with a number of passengers and 71 tons of freight for Victoria merchants.

The British bark Lord Brassey left Hong Kong for Tacoma about 125 days ago. She has not arrived yet. Ships arriving at San Francisco and other coast towns from the Orient invariably report experiencing gales on the passage across.

The steamship Evandale, bound from San Francisco to Yokohama, has now been out thirty-three days. The Evandale carried, in addition to treasure, a very valuable cargo of merchandise, valued at over $300,000. The marine insurance men have paid 30 per cent. reinsurance on the steamer Evandale, from San Francisco November 8 for Hong Kong via Yokohama, under charter to the Occidental and Oriental Steamship company in place of the steamship Belgic. Sixty per cent. is offered on the over-due steamer Strathnevis.

Capt. White, of the bark Ardmore, has been endeavoring to secure a tug to tow his vessel from the Outer wharf to Vancouver, but without success. The Lorne is being repaired on the marine slip and the Active and other local tugs are engaged elsewhere.

The Umatilla leaves to-night for San Francisco with the following passengers on board: Ernest Waterman, W. J. Waterman, Miss C. Stassey, Miss McNation, B. Haggart, Miss Edith Lombard, Mrs. F. Jones, T. F. Meehan, Capt. A. C. Folger, A. Repper, R. Horton, Miss Annie Fraser, Mrs. S. P. Sargeant, A. J. Mosely and wife, H. Waxstock and wife.

—The Okell & Morris Fruit Preserving Company has purchased the stock and good will of the jam and fruit preserving portion of Mr. J. H. Falconer's business. The deal was closed to-day. Mr. Falconer will continue the manufacturing of vinegar, pickles and sauces.

The 84 ton schooner Ella B. will shortly sail from Halifax for Victoria.

The steamer Sehome brought from the Sound this morning one thousand boxes of apples for Simon Leiser, three hundred sacks of wheat for Brackman & Ker and a number of smaller shipments.

The C. P. R. steamship Empress of China sails for the Orient this evening. As usual, she will take out a full cargo and a large number of passengers. Mrs. S. M. Bradbury and party, of San Francisco, will join her here as first cabin passengers. Forty Chinamen and four Japs from Victoria and 13 Chinese from Tacoma will take passage in the steerage from here.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Dec. 9.—The Canadian canal was closed on Friday.

The big gear wheel for the Esquimalt dry dock was put in place by the Victoria Iron Works to-day. The Quadra will probably be docked for repairs to-morrow.

Leith, Scotland, Dec. 9.—The British steamer Principia, Captain Stannard, from Shields, November 13, for New York, took fire when about forty miles north of Cape Wrath, the northwestern extremity of Scotland. She ran for one of the Faroe island, struck a rock and went down with her crew, numbering 27 souls. Only one was saved. A passenger named Jackson was also drowned.

—This is the first full day the contractors for the waterworks improvements have lost an account of the rain for a month. They say they will continue work just as long as the weather will permit. There is some of the work that will have to be delayed until dry weather.

—Don't forget to go to the Vancouver dining rooms for your chicken dinner to-morrow. In charge of the Misses McDonald. *

Handsomely decorated Hanging Lamps—now is your time to make a selection, first come, first served. Weiler Bros. *

—Canton Victoria meets to-night at 8 o'clock. Officers and members are required to attend in full dress uniform. *

THE CLEVELAND CATASTROPHE.

Coroner Fails to Fnd Evidence Rendering Anyone Criminally Liable.

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 9.—The coroner returned a verdict in the Central Viaduct disaster to-day. He fails to find evidence of any act committed or omitted on the part of any person to warrant his holding anyone criminally liable for the accident. He concludes that seventeen victims of the disaster came to their death through injuries sustained or from drowning.

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MOTION TO COMMIT.

Alleged That Landsberg Fraudulently Disposed of his Property.

A motion was made before Hon. Mr. Justice Crease on Saturday by Mr. Belyea, acting for the plaintiff in the case of Gault Bros. v. Landsberg, to commit the defendant to jail. Landsberg was present, but, not being represented by counsel, the hearing was adjourned until next Saturday. The motion asks that Landsberg be committed to jail for twelve months for fraudulently disposing of his property with intent to delay and defeat his creditors. After assigning Landsberg, who was proprietor of the Victoria Loan office, offered a compromise of 40 cents on the dollar. This was refused by the eastern creditors, and they have instituted proceedings to set aside the marriage settlement to Mrs. Landsberg and also a bill of sale by Landsberg to his wife as fraudulent.

At a meeting of the creditors this morning Mr. G. Leiser was requested to continue to act as trustee.

THE WAR IN ECUADOR.

A Heavy Battle Fought Near Quito in Which Many Were Killed.

San Francisco, Dec. 9.—A Call special from Guayaquil says: Accounts are received of an uprising by the clericals all over the country. Many rebels have been obliged to seek refuge across the border in Colombio. The government forces declared martial law. To-day fourteen were arrested and political cri fourteen were arrested and political crimes charged. Among the arrested are three military officers who were tried by a drummed-up court martial and shot within three hours of trial.

At Quito on Thursday one regiment of the garrison there rose. The garrison was called out and the citizens to a great number joined the rioters. A terrible battle ensued lasting over two hours. Over 200 were killed. Most of the rioters were forced to leave town where the number are increasing by voluntary additions. The rebels claim they will soon have sufficient strength to return and capture the town, where they claim they have many partizans ready to join them.

Good Xmas Gifts.

Razors, shaving outfits, sporting and pocekt knives, table cutlery, carving sets, all A1 goods, at Fox's, 78 Government street. *

—Haughton & Co. are showing a fine line of dolls. *

FULL COURT.

Cases Dealt With by the Judges at To-day's Sitting.

The regular sitting of the Full Court commenced this morning with all the Judges present. The first business disposed of was two applications for leave to appeal to the Privy Council.

Re Yorkshire Guarantee Company: The Full Court decided that the mortgage tax is constitutional as being a direct and not an indirect tax. From this part of the judgment the Guarantee Company appeals. The Court also decided at the same time that the company was entitled to exemption from taxation upon their mortgages as personal property to the extent of the debentures issued by the company in England for moneys borrowed upon the security of its mortgages, and from this part of the judgment the province appeals. Mr. E. P. Davis, Q. C., for the Company, and Hon. D. M. Eberts, Q. C., for the Province.

Bainbridge vs. E. & N. Railway Company (precious metals case): Application was made by the defendants to admit their appeal to the Privy Council, security having been given by them. Appeal admitted. Hon. C. E. Pooley, Q. C., for appellants, and Hon. D. M. Eberts Q. C., and Herbert Robertson, for respondents.

The first case argued before the Full Court was Royal Canadian Packing Co. vs. George Williscroft (now continued against his executors, Charles Kent and R. H. Hall). The plaintiffs received judgment against Andrew Olsen, and on 12th of June last Mr. Justice Drake made a garnishee order absolute against George Williscroft, now deceased. Williscroft was not indebted to Olsen, and not being able to obtain legal advice, failed to appear and allowed judgment to be signed against him by default. Mr. Belyea, for the plaintiffs, raised the preliminary objection that the appeal should have been made to the Divisional court, but the objection was overruled and the argument went on. Hon. C. E. Pooley for the appellants.

—Mr. Alexander Roarke, a crack horse shoer for some time employed at noted California racing tracks, has accepted a position at Brayshaw's carriage works, Broughton street. *

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